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Lincoln Township Clerk Stacy Loar-Porter examines hundreds of absentee ballots already returned to Lincoln Township Hall in Stevensville.

'We've gotten a big response'

More absentee ballots pose challenges for area clerks

By TONY WITTKOWSKI
HP Staff Writer

Loar-Porter expects a significant increase in absentee voting this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and the earlier move by state officials to send absentee voter applications to residents.

In the midst of a global pandemic and on the cusp of a presidential election, Lincoln Township Clerk Stacy Loar-Porter is anticipating a large voter turnout on Aug. 4.

She, along with several other clerks, attributes a good portion of that to the growing number of absentee ballots that have been requested and sent in leading up to the primary vote.

"We've gotten a big response. We have one of the higher AV return rates," Loar-Porter said in reference to absentee voter ballots. "Our residents tend to vote absentee, but this year is different."

In August 2016, Lincoln Township processed 1,529 absentee ballots. For this year's primary, as of last week, Loar-Porter said they already have received 3,152 absentee ballot requests.

One of the biggest reasons behind this surge can be traced back to a move made by the state in the spring.

Two months into the COVID-19 pandemic, Michigan Secretary of State Jocelyn Benson announced that all registered voters in the state would receive an application to vote absentee in the August primary and November general elections.

The change made Michigan one of a handful of states to ease voting practices due to the coronavirus pandemic, which has complicated in-person voting and raised concerns nationwide over how to ensure safe access to polling stations during the crisis.

"By mailing applications, we have ensured that no Michigander has to choose between their health and their right to vote," Benson said in a news release. "Voting by mail is easy, convenient, safe and secure, and every voter in Michigan has the right to do it."

In Benton Township, more than 12,000 applications were sent out. So far, the township has received

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June housing sales skyrocket

Southwest Michigan's average selling prices balloon, going back to last year

By TONY WITTKOWSKI
HP Staff Writer

ST. JOSEPH — After several months into the COVID-19 pandemic, pent-up demand lifted home sales in the Southwest Michigan market by 124 percent in June, compared to May.

Alan Jeffries, association executive of the Southwestern Michigan Association of Realtors, said only 142 houses were sold in May. In June, 318 houses were sold.

June sales, however, were still down from a year ago.

"The number of houses sold in June was down 13 percent from June 2019," Jeffries said. "Year-to-date, the number of houses sold fell 24 percent to 1,269, from 1,669 sold in June 2019."

The average selling price at $300,418 was 14 percent higher than the $263,124 average selling price in June 2019 and 25 percent higher than the $240,374 price in May 2020.

The spike in the June average selling price raised the year-to-date, average selling price by 4 percent.

"The most startling result was the average and median sales prices that shattered all selling prices in any month in any year going back to 2006," Jeffries said.

The median selling price rose to $234,950, from $186,001 in June 2019 for a 26 percent increase. From May 2020 to June, the median selling price increased 36 percent. In May, the median selling price was $173,250. Year-to-date, the median selling price rose 11 percent.

With fewer houses sold, the total dollar volume dropped 1 percent from May to June. The year-to-date total dollar volume fell 21 percent.

The inventory of houses for sale declined 13 percent from June 2019. This level gave the market a 6.7-month supply of houses for buyers. In May 2020, the level was 6.2 months supply.

The surge of activity in June caused the number of bank-owned or foreclosed homes as a percentage of all transactions to drop to 1 percent for the month. This was the lowest percentage reached since 2009. In May and April, the level was at 6 percent. The highest percentage in previously in June was 36 percent in 2009.

Locally, the mortgage rate was 3.25, up slightly from 3.24 in May. Last year in June, the rate was 4.02. Nationally, the Freddie Mac mortgage rate in June was 3.13, down slightly from 3.15 in May for a 30-year conventional mortgage.

Across the country

According to the National Association of Realtors, existing-home sales rebounded at a record pace in June, showing strong signs of a market turnaround after three straight months of sales declines caused by the ongoing pandemic.

Each of the four major regions achieved month-over-month growth.

Total existing-home sales jumped 20.7 percent from May to a seasonally-adjusted annual rate of 4.72 million in June. Sales overall, however, dipped year-over-year, down 11.3 percent from a year ago.

"The sales recovery is strong, as buyers were eager to purchase homes and properties that they had been eyeing during the shutdown," said Lawrence Yun, NAR's chief economist. "This revitalization looks to be sustainable for many months ahead as long as mortgage rates remain low and job gains continue."

The median existing-home price for all housing types in June was $295,300, up 3.5 percent from June 2019, as prices rose in every region. June's national price increase marks 100 straight months of year-over-year gains.

In a complete reversal of the month prior, regional sales for June increased in every region. Median home prices grew in each of the four major regions from one

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Extra unemployment aid expires as virus threatens new states

By GEOFF MULVIHILL, JUSTIN PRITCHARD and DAVE KOLPACK
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — As public health officials warned Friday that the coronavirus posed new risks to parts of the Midwest and South, enhanced federal payments that helped avert financial ruin for millions of unemployed Americans were set to expire – leaving threadbare safety nets offered by individual states to catch them.

Since early in the pandemic, the federal government has added $600 to the weekly unemployment checks that states send. That increase ends this week, and with Congress still haggling over next steps, most states will not be able to offer nearly as much.

The extra federal aid helped keep Wally Wendt and his family afloat.

Wendt, 54, of Everett, Washington, was laid off from the fitness company where he worked for 31 years. The extra federal benefits helped him pay a loan to put a new roof on his house that he took out before the virus struck and the economy cratered.

The money also helps his daughter, who lost her restaurant job. With the boost, she can afford diapers, baby formula, rent and utilities. Without it, Wendt said, his daughter and her two children might move in with him.

"The politicians need to get their ducks in a row." Wendt said. "The pressure's not on them, it's on all of us blue-collar workers who are struggling to make a living."

In addition to the end of the $600 payments, federal protections against evictions also are set to expire.

Standard unemployment benefits often leave recipients with poverty-level incomes, but they are sure to continue, even as states wrestle with diminishing unemployment trust funds.

Every state offers assistance for at least some unemployed workers based on a portion of their previous earnings. The maximum amounts vary widely, from $235 a week in Mississippi to $1,234 in Massachusetts. Benefits are available for as few as six weeks in Georgia and up to 28 weeks in Montana. Most states normally cut people off after 26 weeks.

The potential loss of benefits comes at a time of increasing pessimism about job prospects. Nearly half of Americans whose families experienced a layoff during the pandemic now believe those jobs are lost forever, according to a new poll from The Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research.

Aside from the pandemic's economic damage, the virus itself threatens to overwhelm parts of the country that have been

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Motorists take part in a caravan protest in front of Sen. John Kennedy's office at the Hale Boggs Federal Building asking for the extension of the $600 in unemployment benefits to people out of work because of the coronavirus in New Orleans, La., on Wednesday.

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relatively unscathed.

White House coronavirus response coordinator Dr. Deborah Birx warned in a television interview that the surge of cases in the South and Southwest could make its way north.

"What started out very much as a Southern and Western epidemic is starting to move up the East Coast, into Tennessee, Arkansas, up into Missouri, up across Colorado," Birx told NBC's "Today" show. She implored people to wear masks, wash hands and keep at least 6 feet apart.

In Missouri, confirmed cases have risen sharply since Republican Gov. Mike Parson allowed the state to reopen in mid-June. The number of positive tests set a record three days in a row this week.

Birx said health professionals have "called out the next set of cities" where they see early warning signs because if those cities make changes now they "won't become a Phoenix." Arizona's sprawling capital has suffered a severe outbreak, though Birx said Friday the federal government was seeing encouraging declines in positive test results there and in San Antonio, which like much of Texas has been hard hit.

The governor of Vermont, where cases have been among the nation's lowest, responded Friday by issuing an order requiring people to wear masks in public. "We are still in very good shape, but it is time to prepare," Republican Gov. Phil Scott said. Also Friday, McDonald's announced it would soon start requiring masks in its restaurants.

Masks continue to be a national flashpoint. Police in Green Bay, Wisconsin, were investigating death threats made against elected city officials over a new mandate requiring face coverings in public buildings. Indiana's governor dropped a planned criminal penalty from the statewide face mask mandate that he signed Friday after objections from many law enforcement officials and some conservative legislators.

Sunbelt states that have been besieged in recent weeks are still struggling. Florida, for example, reported 135 new deaths and 12,000 new cases, pushing its total of identified infections past 400,000. In California, officials reported a record 159 deaths Friday, bringing total deaths to around 8,200. California now has more than 435,000 confirmed cases.

Meanwhile, lawmakers in Washington were negotiating a new coronavirus relief bill as state and local governments, schools, businesses and others pushed for a new dose of aid. Congressional Democrats have sought to keep the extra $600 in unemployment checks rolling. Republicans who control the Senate have proposed benefits worth 70 percent of what people made before.

The $600 weekly bonus is technically set to expire July 31, but the cutoff is effectively Saturday owing to how states process payments.

Other aspects of the enhanced benefits will continue, including coverage for some gig workers and freelancers who are usually ineligible for unemployment, as well as a 13-week extension of regular payments that the federal government is helping to subsidize.

LOTTERIES

Friday drawings

Michigan

Poker Lotto
KS-2C-6C-2D-3H
Midday Daily 3
6-5-2
Midday Daily 4
7-4-8-2
Daily 3
6-7-2
Daily 4
5-8-9-3
Fantasy 5
03-13-14-16-39
Keno
04-05-08-11-15-18-19-21-31-42-43-45-50-55-56-60-61-62-63-70-71-80
Mega Millions jackpot
$124 million
Powerball jackpot
$117 million

Thursday drawings

Indiana

Cash 5
03-13-25-26-42
Cash4Life
08-30-46-47-50, Cash Ball: 4
Quick Draw Midday
03-15-16-17-19-22-25-28-39-44-45-49-54-55-64-68-70-71-73-74, BE: 54
Daily Three-Midday
5-0-3, SB: 0
Daily Three-Evening
1-1-0, SB: 8
Daily Four-Midday
7-4-1-7, SB: 0
Daily Four-Evening
6-7-4-6, SB: 8
Quick Draw Evening
11-13-15-16-22-23-24-27-32-38-46-49-51-53-60-62-66-68-76-78, BE: 62

Illinois

Lotto
04-26-28-33-43-51, Extra Shot: 25
LuckyDay Lotto Midday
08-10-28-30-40
Pick Three-Midday
7-1-6, Fireball: 4
Pick Three-Evening
1-5-4, Fireball: 2
Pick Four-Midday
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Pick Four-Evening
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BALLOTS

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about 2,100 applications in return.

"The busiest part has been getting the apps out because the state did allow clerks to send them out to every registered voter," said Tammy Taylor, the township's election administrator. "We had the option to send it out ourselves or have the state do it. We chose to do it ourselves so we could send a detailed letter as to why they are coming out."

By doing this, Taylor said the township was encouraging people to vote from home for safety reasons.

Berrien County Clerk Sharon Tyler said they're also seeing an increase in absentee ballots across the county.

"They are increasing a lot. A lot of them aren't just due to the secretary of state mailing them out," Tyler said. "Some people don't want to get out there with the pandemic going on."

A lot of postage

The move was criticized by some Republicans, whose party at the national level has pushed back against plans by Democrats to expand mail-in voting.

State Rep. Pauline Wendzel, R-Watervliet, introduced legislation alongside her colleagues in response to the mailing of absentee ballot applications.

Wendzel said the legislation was meant to deter voter fraud by making it a felony for an individual to knowingly submit an absentee application using another person's name or information.

"This legislation sends a clear message that no matter what party an individual may be affiliated with, voter fraud will not be tolerated in the state of Michigan," said Wendzel said in a news release. "I know how hard our local clerks work, and I will do everything I can to help them run smooth and fair elections."

Overall, Benson's plan will cost $4.5 million, which will be drawn from the state's allocation of money from the federal CARES Act.

Some local and state officials have said that money would have been better used for personal protection equipment for election workers, to keep polling places safe and sanitized, and on machines for quickly processing ballots.

"I know a lot of clerks that have had to use money that was not available to them while putting up PPE and paying for postage," Tyler said.

Loar-Porter said Lincoln Township has received PPE from the state in anticipation of the primary.

However, the township incurred expenses due to mailing applications, and later ballots to voters.

"We had to buy more envelopes and more stamps. The expense is huge, which you only get during the general election, which will now be for that and the primary," Loar-Porter said. "I would expect a $3,000 postage expense normally, but it will be about $5,000 for this primary. I'm pretty much counting on everything doubling at this point. The biggest variable is, will there be bigger voter turnout in general for an August primary? We don't know how many people we will get in person."

Several clerks have complained that the move by the state was also made without consulting the Michigan Township Association or alerting clerks beforehand.

"For me, I didn't think it was fair because they told us after the fact. It's frustrating because local clerks can't send out applications to people who haven't requested it," Loar-Porter said. "If we would have done that on our side, we would have had lawsuits. The money they spent to mail those out, it would have been nice to use that money for special equipment.

"I guess I see both sides of it because it should increase voter turnout, which I'm in favor of."

Processing time

Due to the influx of absentee ballots, area clerks anticipate election night results will take longer to announce.

On the county level, Berrien County's Tyler expects many results might not be finalized until 3 or 4 a.m. in the morning after polls close.

"The AVs always take longer. Just by the processing of the application," Tyler said. "My gut says it will take longer because a lot of my election workers have not worked on AV counting boards."

Lincoln Township keeps all absentee ballots that were turned in prior to Election Day in a vault. But because they can't begin counting the ballots until the day of the election, Loar-Porter said workers will have to start as soon as polls open.

"The biggest challenge is having enough room for the extra teams," she said. "A lot of clerks are having a hard time finding places because absentee counting boards need more room. We've had this many ballots before, but it's usually for the November election. It's never like this in August. This time, they will start first thing in the morning and work all day."

Lincoln Township will have more election workers on hand to process the influx of absentee ballots.

But Loar-Porter admitted it will still take longer because the number of absentee applications are not slowing down with two weeks to go to the primary.

"We're still seeing a really good response rate," she said. "I probably get 10 applications via email because they can take a picture with their signature on it and send a photo in. Normally they mail it or drop it off."

"The best part is voter turnout is going to be record high. We're just taking it day by day."

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HOUSING

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year ago.

Existing-home sales increased 11.1 percent in the Midwest to an annual rate of 1.1 million in June, down 13.4 percent from a year ago. The median price in the Midwest was $236,900, a 3.2 percent increase from June 2019.

Nationally, the total housing inventory at the end of June totaled 1.57 million units, up 1.3 percent from May, but still down 18.2 percent from one year ago. Unsold inventory sits at a four-month supply at the current sales pace, down from both 4.8 months in May and from the 4.3-month figure recorded in June 2019.

Yun said the significantly low inventory was a problem even before the pandemic, and that such circumstances can lead to inflated costs.

"Home prices rose during the lockdown and could rise even further due to heavy buyer competition and a significant shortage of supply," Yun said.

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Beverly 'Bea' Rodgers

Aug. 17, 1935-July 21-2020

Beverly "Bea" Rodgers, 84, of St. Joseph, passed away, Tuesday, July 21, 2020 at her home.

A Celebration of Life Service will be held at a later date due to the Covid-19 precautions. Memorial donations in Bea's name may be made to the Humane Society of Southwestern Michigan or Meals on Wheels of Benton Harbor. Those wishing to sign Bea's memory book online may do so at www.starks-menchinger.com.

Bea was born August 17, 1935 in South Bend, Indiana to Walter & Leone (Harper) Boigegrain. She graduated from Riley High School in South Bend, class of 1953, and DePauw University in 1957 where she studied pre-law and music. She was the only woman in the pre-law classes and became friends with another minority student, Vernon Jordan, who was the only African American on campus. She met Harry Rodgers in 1958 while teaching together in New Carlisle, Ind. They married May 31, 1959, in South Bend and went on to earn their master's degrees together at University of South Dakota.

Bea was the research librarian at Maude Preston-Palenske Library in St. Joseph, and after retirement she became the director of the Sodus Township Library for several years. As a librarian she was also a teacher figure – helping many students with research and writing papers. She enjoyed helping area lawyers with research for information they were needing and also helping John E.N. Howard research the information to write his program notes for the weekly Municipal Band concerts.

Bea was a member of the Alpha Chi Omega Sorority and the Order of the Eastern Star. Bea studied piano and organ and her children grew up listening to her playing piano and singing. She was the former organist at Scottdale United Methodist Church in St. Joseph and St. Paul's United Methodist Church in South Bend. She sang in several ladies ensembles and church choirs.

She was a very giving and caring woman, quietly donating both time and money to many charities and organizations. Bea enjoyed traveling and camping with her family – especially visiting historical sights. Baking was her therapy and her way of creating traditions with her family. The neighborhood knew fresh cookies were always available. She loved her flower and vegetable gardens, knitting, sewing, reading, listening to WFMT, and crossword puzzles, as well as visiting Sandra Kay's Bakery.

Watching and feeding the birds around her home became a priority in her life and we thank her caregivers who faithfully filled her many feeders regularly.

Bea is survived by her children: Lucinda (Richard) Schultz of Borden, Ind., Harry (Kathy) Rodgers of Traverse City, Mich., Debbie Rodgers of Annapolis, Md., Meg (Chris Mustell) Rodgers of Stevensville; two grandchildren – Chloe and Isabelle Lawrence; her sister-in-law Patricia Boigegrain of Denver; and her loving canine companions – Max and Banner. She was preceded in death by her husband, Harry, on Jan. 14, 2017, her parents, and siblings-Walter Boigegrain and Doris Gray.

Bea enjoyed glorious days, sunsets and music. To all she helped along her journey: Make an A!

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Partner of 13 years can't get stepmom's attention

Jeanne Phillips
Dear Abby

DEAR ABBY: I live with my significant other. We have been together for 13 years now. I would like to ask his stepmother why she refuses to acknowledge me. She sends holiday cards addressed only to her stepson. I am left off invitations as if I simply do not exist. Should I confront her and tell her it hurts my feelings?

I have had a couple of visits with her, and I'm respectful. She has introduced me as "a friend" of her stepson. I feel it's time to speak up. Do you agree? – Fed Up In California

DEAR FED UP: I am surprised that after all this time your partner hasn't spoken to his stepmother about this. I agree it is time to bring this out into the open, but only if you can curb your resentment and talk calmly with her.

Tell her her omissions have been hurtful and ask why she seems incapable of acknowledging your relationship with her stepson. Once you have put her on the spot, LISTEN to what she has to say, but resist the urge to strike out. If you can manage that, you will have not only learned something important about her, but you will also have kept your dignity.

DEAR ABBY: People often stress out over the stuff that goes on in daily life and don't seem to know how to deal with it. Frankly, I don't know either, because I stress out more than most of the people I know. Do you have any advice on some things I can do to stress less? – Trying To Cope In The South

DEAR TRYING TO COPE: Several things come to mind. Make it your business to get out of the house and walk every day for at least 30 minutes. I find it has helped me to put things into perspective. Look online for some simple meditations and breathing exercises, which can also help to relax you.

If you drink, do so only in moderation. Remember, alcohol can be a depressive and make you feel tired and down. When you are feeling overwhelmed, recite the Serenity Prayer: "Grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can and the wisdom to know the difference."

And if your stress continues, don't suffer in silence – discuss it with close friends and family, and if necessary, your doctor.

DEAR ABBY: I was a girl, then a young lady, next a mother and now a grandmother. I was never a "guy" until the last 10 years, when waitstaff and salespersons began calling me that when I am with my husband. Examples: "How are you guys tonight?" and "What can I get you guys?" I am not, nor have I ever been a "guy." Other than baring my breasts, how do I let people know that I am not a guy and wish to be addressed otherwise? – Call Me Ma'am In Florida

DEAR CALL ME: The servers and sales staff are not intending this as a personal affront. Using the word "guys" to refer to a couple or a group is becoming so common it's now in Webster's dictionary. However, this is a complaint voiced by many of my readers of a certain age, along with not enjoying being addressed as "Sweetie" or "Young Lady."

If it bothered me as much as it does you, I would quietly take it up with the manager or supervisor, and suggest that because it is annoying, "Sir" and "Ma'am" would be a more suitable substitute for "you guys." You might also prefer to dine in a less casual restaurant or shop in a more exclusive store to see if you are addressed differently.

Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Contact Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

Still missing the one who got away

Carolyn Hax

DEAR CAROLYN: I screwed up and lost a terrific woman nearly 12 years ago. I'm married with kids now and the regret has been worked through, therap-ized, counseled, etc. I'll go months without a problem and then I'll have a dream about her and it all comes back, the second-guessing, the regret, the guilt, and it will be with me for weeks.

My closest friends believe I'm still in love with her. I've brought it up with my counselor. I know that's not fair to my wife.

I don't know how to work past something that comes when I dream about her, since that's not something I can control.

– Grieving the One Who Got Away

GRIEVING THE ONE WHO GOT AWAY: You can't control the dreams, no.

But you can control how you think and frame things when you're awake. So you can, for example, control how much you indulge your impulse to keep seeing your ex in your mind as exactly the person you knew 12 years ago ... or idealized 11.5 years ago, ahem.

She's not that person anymore, she's 12 years different. Same goes for you. And the way you felt about each other then ... let's say 12.5 years ago? That, had you stayed together, would be long gone by now, overwritten multiple times by the feelings and the relationship you and she shaped with your actions and experiences.

And, no, don't counter with, "We would have grown together since." You could also be six years divorced from her by now, probably over some version of the same thing that broke you up back then.

Because you did break up. You did "lose" this person through some choice of your own. You had your reasons, and it's time to be as convinced of those as you are of your attachment to your ex.

Short version, stop mythologizing and making stuff up. Yes it's not fair to your wife, but it's also not fair to you.

And it's not! real! So when you have your next dream, wake up with perspective: appreciation for a fond memory, a mental refresher that this is only fiction and only occurs subconsciously a few times a year, and a warm hug for your wife.

Deal?

READER SUGGESTIONS: – Figure out what this woman represents to your unconscious and it might feel easier. Maybe you're dreaming of your lost youth, or the sense of possibility you had at 26, or the dream of moving to another country, or . . . whatever it is. It might demystify the dreams as not being about her, but about you and her relationship to your life. – Chances are you aren't grieving/missing this person, but the person you were/wanted to be back then, or a dream of your life back then. Focus on exploring with your therapist what that missing piece is and see how you can attend to that (missing sense of adventure, whatever) in your life today. – Soooo ... you intend to compound this mistake by screwing up and losing another wonderful woman (aka: your wife)?

Ah. There's that. Thanks.

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CROSSWORD

ACROSS
1 Pull laboriously
4 Riled up
7 Slam —
11 Past
12 Own
13 Diva's tune
14 Wield
15 Advocate
16 Quite a few
17 Lawns
19 Festival
20 Pale blond
21 Record
22 Fab Four member
25 Mallets
28 Juice-based drink
29 Light gas
31 Lamb's mom
33 Really tiny
34 Cushions
36 Paneling wood
37 Debated
40 Preference
42 Before
43 Bushy-tailed animal
44 Cold War capital
46 Plato's last letter
49 Sci-fi knight
50 Mashed potato serving
52 Ms. Hagen
54 — vera
55 Equine fodder
56 Sun. follower
57 Soap purchases
58 Startled cries
59 Health resort

DOWN
1 Cozy place to sit
2 Repulsive
3 "Naked Maja" artist
4 Cattail locale
5 Std.
6 Ruby or Sandra
7 Injure
8 Russian range
9 Ms. Foch
10 Bandleader Kyser
12 Large bay in Canada
18 Piece of cloth
19 State VIP
21 Come ashore
22 Windy and cold
23 Sneaking suspicion
24 — -do-well
25 Prod
26 Some August babies
27 Clobber
30 "En garde" weapon
32 Make ends meet
35 Treads heavily
38 Magic lamp occupants
39 40-cup brewer
41 Wood chopper (Var.)
43 Pays, as the bill
44 Composer — Bartok
45 Skunk's defense
47 Messes (up)
48 Up above
49 Punch
50 Sticky stuff
51 Rule
53 "Wheel" buy (2 wds.)

Answer to Previous Puzzle

A	D	Z	■	P	A	I	D	■	B	E	E	F
R	O	I	■	E	Y	R	E	■	L	E	A	R
G	U	N	■	P	E	A	L	■	E	L	S	A
O	R	C	A	S	■	■	■	R	E	S	E	T
■	■	■	B	I	O	■	O	O	P	■	■	■
J	A	I	L	■	S	E	P	T	■	K	O	A
A	C	R	E	■	I	L	E	■	I	M	P	■
G	E	O	■	■	R	A	N	■	A	L	A	S
S	S	N	■	S	I	N	E	■	L	O	R	E
■	■	■	S	O	S	■	R	E	D	■	■	■
N	I	F	T	Y	■	■	■	L	A	X	E	R
A	G	U	A	■	J	A	M	B	■	R	I	A
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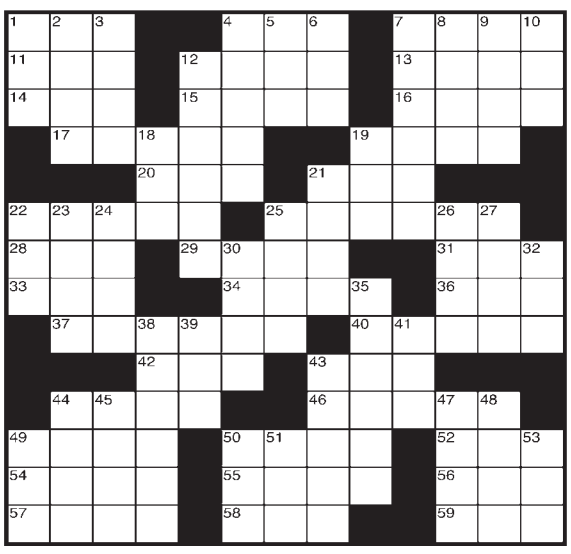

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JUMBLE

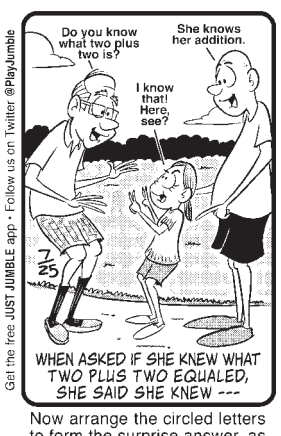
Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

GRCOA

UVGAA

FARCAE

FLITUE


Do you know what two plus two is?
She knows her addition.
I know that! Here, see?
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WHEN ASKED IF SHE KNEW WHAT TWO PLUS TWO EQUALED, SHE SAID SHE KNEW ---

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Ans. here: " " " "

(Answers Monday)

Yesterday's Jumbles: SUITE VALVE MUSCLE ABOUND
Answer: They went to view the empty apartment and were happy with the — "VACANT-SEE"

KAKURO

■	8 \	22 \	■	3 \	10 \	21 \	■	32 \	15 \
6 \			12 \				8 \ 11		
14 \			28 \ 6						
11 \				18 \ 22					
■	21 \	10 \ 32					3 \ 6		
11 \					13 \ 10				
17 \			11 \ 6					23 \	8
17 \						9 \ 9			
39 \							9		
9 \			6				14		

How to play: Numbers above the slash are across clues; numbers below the slash are down clues. The goal is to enter digits 1-9 in the white cells to add up to the number clues. You cannot use any digit more than once when adding up to a clue.

Difficulty Level ★★★★ 7/25

■	11 \	16 \	39 \	17 \	14 \	■	16 \	21 \	■
17 \	3	7	4	2	1	8 \	7	1	16 \
35 \	8	9	5	7	6	13 \	9	3	1
■	35 \	39 \	6	8	7	9	21 \	5	6
24 \	9	8	7	24 \	■	1	3	4	2
28 \	6	5	8	9	15 \	3	2	6	4
30 \	8	6	9	7	19 \	4 \	1	2	3
9 \	5	4	15 \	8	2	1	4	8 \	11 \
24 \	7	9	8	28 \	9	3	6	2	8
■	16 \	7	9	19 \	8	2	5	1	3

Difficulty Level ★★★★ 7/24

BRIDGE

In "King Lear," Shakespeare wrote, "Upon such sacrifices, my Cordelia, the gods themselves throw incense."

Chess players are always on the lookout for sacrifices; much less so, bridge players. Thus, when the opportunity for one arises, it is often missed.

This deal was played in a women's knockout match in Australia.

At the first table, South couldn't open one no-trump, because it would have shown only 12-14 points: the weak no-trump. (In my opinion, if you wish to get better results, take up the weak no-trump!) So, she started with one diamond. This allowed West an easy chance to overcall one heart. North-South then reached three no-trump played by North. East led the heart six, declarer holding up her ace. However, knowing that West had at least five hearts, North won the second round of hearts with her ace. Then it was a matter of establishing the diamonds without letting West get on lead. North played a low diamond. If East had put up the king, declarer would have ducked in the dummy. But when East played low, declarer won with the ace and led another diamond. The contract was home free.

At the other table, the strong-no-trump opening kept West quiet. Here, declarer made the error of ducking the first two heart leads. This gave East the chance to play the leading role. On the third heart, she could have discarded her diamond king! Instead, though, East parted with a low club.

If East had made that sacrifice, bridge columnists would have thrown verbal incense on her!

North 07-25-20
♠ A 8
♥ A 4 3
♦ 10 8 6 3 2
♣ Q 7 3

West
♠ K 9 2
♥ K Q J 9 8
♦ Q 5
♣ 10 8 2

East
♠ 10 6 4 3
♥ 6 5
♦ K 7
♣ J 9 6 5 4

South
♠ Q J 7 5
♥ 10 7 2
♦ A J 9 4
♣ A K

Dealer: North
Vulnerable: Neither

South	West	North	East
		Pass	Pass
1NT	Pass	3NT	All Pass

Opening lead: ♥ K

SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★★★

	6				8			2
		3		9		7	8	
8				3		1		
	5	2		6			1	
				8				
	1			2		5	7	
		7		1				9
	8	5		4		6		
3			7				4	

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How to play: Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9.

PREVIOUS SOLUTION

5	9	3	7	6	1	8	2	4
4	7	1	5	2	8	6	9	3
8	6	2	9	3	4	5	7	1
1	2	6	3	8	9	7	4	5
3	8	5	2	4	7	9	1	6
9	4	7	6	1	5	2	3	8
2	1	8	4	7	6	3	5	9
6	3	9	1	5	2	4	8	7
7	5	4	8	9	3	1	6	2

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Here's why Trump can still win

Kathleen Parker

Four years ago in mid-July, polls said Hillary Clinton was leading Donald Trump by 12 points, much as they say Joe Biden leads him now.

The former secretary of state had 49 percent support compared with Trump's 37 percent, according to a Bloomberg poll. Libertarian and former New Mexico governor Gary Johnson – remember him? – had 9 percent.

Most confounding given the final results, 55 percent of those surveyed said they would never vote for Trump, while just 43 percent said the same about Clinton. The survey of 750 people was conducted shortly after Trump said a federal judge of Mexican descent couldn't be impartial in a case against Trump University because of the candidate's push for a U.S.-Mexico border wall.

This comment earned him a stern rebuke from then-Speaker of the House Paul Ryan, R-Wis. – remember him? – saying Trump's comment was "the textbook definition of a racist remark." Ryan was Mitt Romney's running mate in 2012, the year Trump, while watching Romney sink during his second debate with President Barack Obama, said to himself, "I can win."

What emerged from the Bloomberg poll, as well as dozens of others leading up to Election Day, was the inescapable conclusion that Clinton would win. Even Trump believed so, despite his rally-to-rally "winning" refrain.

In other words, what we think we know isn't always so.

When Trump was elected in 2016, the news was received in the nation's capital, where I lived at the time, like the arrival of unwanted, unexpected out-of-town visitors. Usually friendly neighbors stared vacantly at one another as they reached for their morning papers. Wordlessly, they quickly retreated back inside, away from the searing light of unbearable truth.

Everyone had been so sure! The models and internal polling had all agreed! But models and polls, like reporters and columnists, are only as good as their sources. And political history hasn't been coy about the pitfalls of relying too heavily on textbook scenarios. Politics has a scent, and the nose usually sniffs out outcomes before the eyes can see.

Sweat equity wins every time. How much are people willing to wait in lines, make cold calls, give of their own money and rally strangers to support their candidate? Which candidate is most able to rally people to do the hard work? We speak in terms of authenticity, but that's not the whole of it. For good or ill, winners have a certain instinctual allure.

This makes Biden's current status as the front-runner a bit uncertain. Biden-in-the-basement has worked well so far, but he may not be able to compete with a fully unleashed Trump on the hustings. Trump is part showman, part chief marketing officer, part bomb-thrower.

Past elections remind us, too, that voters sometimes lay their own explosives when the pollster rings. Many won't even take that call, or stay on it for very long. (This is such a problem that many pollsters have given up surveying by telephone.)

And when the calls do go through, other problems arise: Even in those places where Trump won handily last time, folks are reluctant to express political views. We're still a relatively private and polite society, and nothing brings out the "bless-their-hearts" (genteel Southern code for a long eye-roll) like a conversation about politics.

Still other Trump supporters might say to a pollster that they will vote for Biden just to mess with the guy and his clipboard. Americans have a strong what-the-hell, troublemaking streak.

Four years ago, I wrote about that sort of voter: the kind who pulled the lever for Trump just to tick off all the right people. That same voter, likely well-entertained these past four years, is more concerned now about the socialist bent of the Democratic Party and whether Biden is strong enough to stem the tide. There's also concern that Biden may not be as cognitively nimble as in earlier years, and that his vice-presidential pick won't be seen as presidential.

Which is to say, Trump could win reelection despite his unfavorable numbers or the galloping pandemic. In his recent, free-ranging interview with Fox News anchor Chris Wallace, Trump defaulted to "fake polls" when asked about his "losing."

"I'm not losing," he insisted. And, contrary to everything we think we know, he may not be wrong.

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Lewis' life was a lesson in stubborn resolve

Leonard Pitts

I expected despair. I should have known better.

The Voting Rights Act of 1965 had just been eviscerated by the Supreme Court. So I called Georgia Rep. John Lewis, for whom passage of the Act was the defining event of a heroic life, thinking his discouragement would mirror mine.

Lewis started talking instead about how he would push Congress to "put teeth back in the Voting Rights Act." To say I was skeptical is to understate. Congress? Obstructionist, tea party-clogged and more dysfunctional than the Kardashians? That Congress? But I couldn't budge him toward despair. The work, he said, was already under way.

That was seven years ago, and the Voting Rights Act remains in rubble. But if you think the moral of the story is that Lewis, who died of pancreatic cancer Friday at the age of 80, was wrong, you miss the point. What he was, was stubborn. Indeed, few people could match him for plain doggedness in the struggle toward a righteous end.

Don't confuse that with "patient," which Lewis never was. Addressing the 1963 March on Washington, the then-23-year-old activist left no doubt on that score. Older civil-rights leaders had to talk him out of threatening to march through Dixie "the way Sherman did" but, even so, it was a speech of remarkable fire.

"How long can we be patient?" he cried. "We want our freedom and we want it now!"

What Lewis had was not patience, but rather, the ability to keep coming back. After his skull was fractured marching for voting rights on the Edmund Pettus Bridge in Selma, he returned to the bridge. After he and other Freedom Riders were beaten senseless at a bus station in Montgomery, he returned to the buses. After he ran for Congress and lost, he ran again and won.

And then there's the National Museum of African American History and Culture in Washington. For 15 years, Lewis repeatedly introduced a bill authorizing its construction only to see it blocked each time by Sen. Jesse Helms, the arch racist Republican. Helms retired in early 2003, and the bill passed that same year.

"We never gave up, we never gave in," Lewis said. One is reminded of something he told voters when he ran for Congress that second time, squaring off against Julian Bond. Bond was a civil-rights legend in his own right, a handsome man with a mop of curly hair. "Vote for the tugboat," said the squat, balding Lewis, "not the showboat." And they did.

Bond died in 2015. Another hero of the Selma movement, the Rev. C.T. Vivian, died the same day Lewis did. Indeed, most of the giants of that era now are gone. And of all that we lose in losing them, perhaps the most important is that thing Lewis had in such abundance: stubborn resolve.

These last years have been hell on stubborn resolve. Trayvon was murdered, the Voting Rights Act was wrecked, the GOP openly embraced white supremacy, George Floyd died beneath Derek Chauvin's knee. And one feels – I feel – increasingly estranged from a nation backsliding yet again from its lofty promises and boasts. But against that discouragement comes memory of the time I called Lewis expecting despair and found the tugboat already at work.

For the record, House Democrats passed a bill restoring the Voting Rights Act in December. It remains hung up in the Senate by Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, who has dismissed charges of voter suppression as "nonsense." So once again, the fight is before us. Once again, there's a need to muster stubborn resolve. In that, John Lewis' life was a master class. Sadly, he can no longer lead us.

But he can guide us, still.

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LETTERS

Joe Biden is the president we need

Editor,

Joe Biden is a patriotic American who believes in the principles of our Constitution and cares about the well-being of our country. He is a unifying force in a time of great divisiveness.

Biden supports a health care system that includes every individual and family, an economy that provides opportunities for all working people, and an educational system that offers excellent education to all students.

As vice president in the Obama administration, Joe Biden led the fight to pass the Affordable Care Act, which enabled more than 20 million Americans to obtain health insurance and banned insurance companies from denying coverage to those with pre-existing conditions. Today, he is a strong advocate for reducing the cost of prescription medications, lowering the Medicare eligibility age and adding a public option to the Affordable Care Act.

During the COVID-19 pandemic Joe Biden has been a powerful voice for national leadership and a strong critic of Donald Trump's weak and ineffectual response to this crisis.

Jobs and wages are at the center of Biden's agenda. He is committed to "an updated social contract that treats American workers and working families as essential at all times, not just times of crisis – with higher wages, stronger benefits, and fair and safe workplaces." Joe Biden is a strong advocate for American small businesses, entrepreneurs and manufacturers.

Biden's education agenda includes supporting teachers by giving them the pay and dignity they deserve; bringing needed health and mental health support into our schools; investing in high-quality, universal pre-kindergarten; and taking all necessary steps to ensure that every student, regardless of income, race or disability, is fully prepared to succeed.

Joe Biden is the leader we need. In November we have an opportunity to restore the soul of our nation by voting for Joe Biden to be our next president.

Larry Feldman
Lakeside

Kids must not be political pawns

Editor,

Well, the next item on Donald Trump's meddle list is opening our schools, which were closed for good reason due his abject failure to address the COVID-19 pandemic here in the U.S. He and Betsy DeVos, his authorized purveyor of evil, are making a hard push to open schools in the fall at any cost.

The CDC has published guidelines on what is needed for this reopening, but Trump apparently does not want to bother with such technical "folderol" and wants the experts to modify their recommendations to make it easier and less expensive. This is another push comparable to what he purveyed to open the economy while ignoring the guidelines for control of that process issued by his own task force. We are now experiencing the severe payback for that screw-up.

I have, over the past few years, been able to observe the elementary and middle school environments of my two granddaughters in a local public system. Based on that evidence, going back to the same classrooms would not be safe. The students are much too close, as is the teaching staff, and the ventilation system in a 50-year-old building is not up to the job.

As long as the virus remains uncontrolled, as it is today, school opening is going to require strict planning and provisioning of a much safer environment than I suspect most systems have in place. This is going to cost money and probably time to get things in order. Opening without these changes would surely cause another dangerous spike in the infection rate.

Our kids are our most important resource, and their education must be priority one! I cannot fathom any educator, school administrator, parent or grandparent accepting what Trump and his minions are proposing.

This issue should be a coalescing point through which the president and all elected officials supporting it get voted out of office in November.

Ed Shaffer
Galien

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Election letters

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ANOTHER OPINION

Save our stimulus: Payout time for Congress on virus Rx

Two months ago, House Democrats passed the HEROES Act, another round of coronavirus stimulus relief. At $3 trillion, it was proclaimed dead on arrival for Senate Republicans, who crossed their fingers and bided their time, hoping Jared Kushner's prediction of a "rocking" economy by mid-July would come true.

Instead, thanks to failures in leadership from President Trump to governors across America, the pandemic is stronger than ever in nearly every part of the country.

Relief is still vitally needed. The big priorities remain the same:

Get cash to the states. After having been forced to shut down early to slow the spread, financial relief is essential so public sector workers aren't added to a jobless tally exceeding 30 million.

Atop that, New York in particular needs $3.9 billion to rescue a subway system pummeled by a bottomless fall in ridership and tax collections. If the MTA goes belly up, the most important regional economy in the nation will be paralyzed.

Get cash to individuals: Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell is supportive of another round of direct payments to the public. With more states forced to reverse reopenings, such an infusion is imperative.

Unfortunately, Trump and the Republicans are reluctant to renew $600 a week in enhanced unemployment benefits, which expire at month's end, believing it discourages returning to the workforce. This is still a public health and economic emergency. Industries remain indefinitely closed. The money should continue to flow.

People are hurting. States and cities are hurting. Send help.

– New York Daily News

OBITUARIES

Robert 'Bob' Riner Hellenga

Aug. 5, 1941 – July 18, 2020

Robert "Bob" Riner Hellenga, 78, died on July 18, 2020, at home with his wife by his side. He faced death with humor, bravery and the determined resistance typical of his irascible nature.

Bob was born on Aug. 5, 1941, in Milwaukee, to Marjorie (Johnson) and Ted Hellenga. He was raised in the small town of Three Oaks, and spent his summers in Milwaukee, where his father was a produce broker. He received his bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan, where he met his future wife, Virginia Killion. They were married in 1963 and immediately set sail for Belfast, Ireland, where he had a year-long fellowship at Queen's University. He received his master's degree at the University of North Carolina and his doctorate at Princeton University. He and Virginia moved to Galesburg in 1968, where he began his lifelong teaching and writing career as an English professor at Knox College. Bob authored eight fiction novels and an as-yet unpublished poetry anthology, "Prognosis For Survival – Not Good."

Bob is survived by Virginia; his brother, Ted Hellenga Jr.; three daughters, Rachel Hellenga (fiancé Ben Good), Heather Hellenga (Tom Colclasure) and Caitrine Hellenga (Tim Barker); grandchildren, Braxton Farr, Harper Lee and Jackson Colcasure; six nieces and nephews; and his beloved dog, Simone.

Online condolences may be made to Facebook/Robert.hellenga and rhelleng@knox.edu. Memorials may be made in his name to the Galesburg Public Library and Knox College.

Roger C. Sirk

Nov. 7, 1944 – July 22, 2020

Roger C. Sirk, 75, of Sterling Heights, Mich., formerly of Benton Harbor, died July 22, 2020.

He was the beloved husband of Elaine and dear father of Stephen and Carl.

A family memorial service may be held at a later date. Arrangements are by Bagnasco & Calcaterra Funeral Home Sterling Heights Chapel.

Please share a memory at www.bcfhsterlingheights.com.

Paul Pecoraro

April 1, 1920 – Feb. 28, 2020

Paul Pecoraro, 99, of Riverside passed away Feb. 28, 2020.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 1, at St. John's Catholic Church, 580 Columbus Ave., Benton Harbor, with Father Adams presiding. Burial will immediately follow in Calvary Cemetery, with a reception at Paul's home. The Catholic Diocese requires a mask be worn in church.

Memorials may be made to the Soldiers & Sailors Fund through the Berrien County Courthouse. Arrangements have been entrusted to Purely Cremations – Starks Family Funeral Homes, 926-9440. Those wishing to sign Paul's guest book may do so at www.purelycremations.org.

Death notices

Robert "Bob" R. Hellenga, 78, of Galesburg, Ill., formerly of Three Oaks died July 18, 2020, at home. Thompson Trade Embalmers, Moline, Ill., (309) 781-3911.

Kathy (Maddox) Kile, 72, of Niles died July 21, 2020. Halbritter Wickens Funeral Home, Niles, 683-3000.

Diane "Dee" A. Scott, 80, of Cape Coral, Fla., former area resident died July 2, 2020. Coral Ridge Funeral Home, Cape Coral, (239) 283-0540.

Roger C. Sirk, 75, of Sterling Heights, Mich., formerly of Benton Harbor died July 22, 2020. Bagnasco & Calcaterra Funeral Home, Sterling Heights, (586) 977-7300.

Gordon L. 'Lee' Mikesell

May 2, 1938 – April 12, 2020

Gordon L. "Lee" Mikesell, 81, of Stevensville lost his battle to Parkinson's on Sunday, April 12, 2020.

A Celebration of Life Memorial Service will take place at 3 p.m. Friday, July 31, at Starks & Menchinger Funeral Home, 2650 Niles Road, St. Joseph. Friends may visit with the family from 1 p.m. until the time of the service. Memorial contributions may be made to Napier Parkview Baptist Church. Those wishing to leave an online condolence may do so at www.starks-menchinger.com.

Lee was born on May 2, 1938, in Cincinnati, to Gordon W. and Lutie (Drake) Mikesell. He graduated in 1957 from Ypsilanti High School and continued his education at Cleary Business College, where he earned an associate's degree in business. In 1960, Lee proudly enlisted in the United States Army until he was honorably discharged in 1962. On Sept. 12, 1998, Lee married Lorraine Holub, in St. Joseph.

For many years, Lee worked in the Human Resources Department at Ypsilanti Hospital, and was later relocated to Mercy Memorial and then to Lakeland Hospital as a tumor registrar, where he retired after nearly 30 years. Lee had a strong faith for His Lord and was a proud member of Napier Parkview Baptist Church. He would participate in their Bible study program and went on numerous missionary trips with the church to various countries, including Russia, Venezuela and Ukraine. Lee had a passion for helping people whenever possible. He volunteered his time for the St. Joseph Township Fire Department and at Lakeland Hospital. In his spare time, Lee would enjoy riding his motorcycle, bird-watching, hand-carving beautiful wooden canes and making his wife, Lorraine, happy by going square dancing with her (although, she would argue that he enjoyed going on his own terms). Lee loved his family so much, and spending time with his grandchildren gave him the most joy. He was a wonderful, generous man who will be missed dearly by all who knew him.

Lee is survived by his wife, Lorraine, of Stevensville; sons, Brian (Carrie) Mikesell of Stevensville and Thomas (Mellisa) Mikesell; stepchildren, Shawn (Heidi) DelaForet of St. Joseph and Nicole (Josh) Rick of Baroda; grandchildren, Riley, Elliott, Sophie, Asher and Sage; and siblings, Virginia Slocum and Ron (Dottie) Mikesell.

Lee was preceded in death by his parents, Gordon W. and Lutie; and son, Peter Mikesell.

Marion Caroline Crossman

July 6, 1917 – June 30, 2020

Marion Caroline Crossman, 102, died peacefully on Tuesday, June 30, 2020, at Hanson Hospice Center in Stevensville.

A Celebration of Life Service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 1, at Starks & Menchinger Chapel, 2650 Niles Road, St. Joseph, with the Rev. David Schell officiating. Memorial donations in Marion's name may be made to Fairplain Presbyterian Church. Please wear a mask as a courtesy to all those in attendance. Those wishing to sign Marion's memory book online may do so at www.starks-menchinger.com.

Born Marion Jordan on July 6, 1917, on Lincoln Avenue in St. Joseph Township, her parents were Chester and Bertha (Kettlehut) Jordan. Her grandfather, Orville Jordan, and great-grandfather, Frances Jordan, were prominent civic business leaders in the area and founders of Union Banking Company, the predecessor to Peoples State Bank.

She married Dan Crossman of Spinks Corners, Bainbridge Township, in 1938, and raised three children who survive her: Sharon (James) Bolthouse of Lansing, Mich., Joan (Dave) Vanderbush of Ridgewood, N.J., and Thomas (Jenny) of New York City. She is also survived by a sister, Barbara (Richard) Schoonover of Hermosa Beach, Calif., as well as five grandchildren, two stepgrandchildren, seven great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her husband; her sister, Francis; and her brother, James.

While living in Spinks Corners, she was a member of Union Evangelical United Brethren Church (later Newhope United Methodist), where she enthusiastically chaired committees, went on mission trips to Appalachia and helped cook and serve Swiss steak or chicken suppers to raise funding for building the indoor restrooms. After moving to Fairplain in 1971, she was active at the Fairplain Presbyterian Church, where she celebrated her 100th birthday in 2017. She participated in circle, helped pack food bags for the food pantry and could be found at the jewelry table at the annual rummage sale.

Marion worked as a bookkeeper for Yerington and Harris in Benton Harbor for many years; even with a full-time job, she continued her hobbies. She enjoyed dressmaking and needlework, and her skills were greatly admired. She was a longtime 4-H leader, where she shared her talents and passed them on to many young girls. She made prom dresses, a daughter's wedding dress, costumes and doll clothes for her grand- and great-granddaughters, jewelry bags for countless friends and family and other needlepoint work that adorns walls in homes of the Crossman clan. Especially treasured are the counted cross-stitch St. Joseph lighthouses. She enjoyed crafting with her grand- and great-grandchildren and volunteering at the St. Joseph Library. All of her grandchildren, but especially a couple of grandsons, loved her homemade applesauce. With a spectacular memory, she shared countless family stories with the many relatives who loved her very much.

With joy for a long life that was well lived, and for her triumphs over adversities faced, her family entrusts her to the God she loved and served. "Well done, thou good and faithful servant."

Dan L. Pastrick

Oct. 4, 1951 – July 22, 2020

Dan L. Pastrick, 68, of St. Joseph passed away suddenly and unexpectedly on Wednesday, July 22, 2020, at his home.

Visitation will from 1-3 p.m. Sunday, July 26, at Duffield & Pastrick Family Funeral Home in Coloma. Those wishing to leave a message or share a memory online may do so at duffieldpastrick.com. Memorials may be made to the Humane Society of Southwestern Michigan or the Little Dresses for Africa program.

Dan was born Oct. 4, 1951, in Benton Harbor. He was the middle of three children of Al and Virginia (Yeske) Pastrick. Dan graduated from St. Joseph High School in 1969 and then earned his bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from Western Michigan University in 1973. During his career, Dan held various positions in the medical device field, which included supervision, manufacturing, engineering and senior operations management. In 2015 he opened Dan Pastrick & Associates, where he was the owner and principle consultant.

He always started his day with an optimistic attitude. He was an amazing father and brother who was always willing to lend a hand. On many occasions he delivered boxes of dresses sewn by his sister, Vickie, to the Little Dresses for Africa program. In his free time, he attempted to keep his little brother focused and in line. He was a charitable giver in life who often did nice things for others quietly, never seeking accolades for himself. He will be truly missed.

Dan is survived by his daughter, Alicia (Pastrick) Hunter of Casselberry, Fla.; his son, Aaron (Kate) Pastrick, and his grandson, Wiley, all of Zumbrota, Minn.; his sister, Vickie Pastrick Florin of Stevensville; his brother, Michael Pastrick of St. Joseph; nieces, Hillary Florin of Kalamazoo and Michelle Pastrick of Grand Rapids; and his nephew, Nathan Pastrick of Kalamazoo; along with many cousins.

Dan was preceded in death by his parents.

Frances Cooke Avery

April 2, 1927 – July 20, 2020

Frances Cooke Avery of Berrien Springs went to be with her Savior on July 20, 2020; she died in her home at the age of 93.

Frances was born on April 2, 1927, in Flint, Mich., as the second child of four born to Sherman and Berthena Willard. She would later move with her family to Port Huron, Mich., and graduate from Port Huron High School in 1944. Frances went to Wheaton College and graduated with a degree in chemistry. She married Weldon Cooke in 1950, and they had four boys. Later, she would obtain her teaching degree; she taught for the Berrien Springs school system for several years.

Fran loved being a mom and dedicated herself to raising her four boys. She always encouraged them to be disciplined in their love of learning, and later all four boys would become physicians.

Fran also loved playing the piano; she used this gift, playing with a servant's heart, as a way to minister to others. Many of the family memories revolve around Fran playing the piano. She played for many years at her church, Berrien Center Bible Church, where she was a faithful member for over 60 years; Fran loved the Lord.

Frances married Dallas Avery in 1987. He preceded her in death, passing away in 2013. Also preceding her in death are her parents, Sherman and Berthena; and two brothers, Philip and Eldon.

She is survived by her sister, Helen Harmon; and sister-in-law, Jean Willard.

Also surviving Frances are her sons: John (Azita) of Sanford, Fla.; James (Terri) of Atlanta, David (Jeannette) of Berrien Springs and Daniel (BeckyJo) of Granger, Ind. In addition, Frances has 14 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. She will be lovingly remembered as a devoted mom, grandma, sister and friend.

In lieu of flowers, please send all gifts in Fran's memory to Berrien Center Bible Church Memorial Fund. Visitation will be from 2-5 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 2, at Oronoko Township Feather Park, 4583 E. Snow Road, Berrien Springs. Masks and social distancing will be in place at all times. Those wishing to sign Fran's memory book online may do so at www.heritage-chapel.com.

Ronald L. 'Ron' Ravitch

Aug. 4, 1939 – July 23, 2020

Ronald L. "Ron" Ravitch, 80, of Coloma died on Thursday, July 23, 2020, at Lakeland Medical Center in St. Joseph.

A celebration of life service will be held at noon on Sunday, July 26, at Starks & Menchinger Chapel, 2650 Niles Road, St. Joseph. Burial will follow in B'nai Sholom Cemetery. Friends may visit with the family from 3-5 p.m. Saturday, July 25, at the funeral home. A Masonic Service will be held at 4:30 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to the Benton Harbor Lions Clubs, P.O. Box 8822, Benton Harbor, MI 49023, Shriners Hospital for Children – Chicago, 2211 N. Oak Park Ave., Chicago, IL 60707, or Temple B'nai Shalom, 2050 Broadway, Benton Harbor, MI 49022. Those wishing to leave an online condolence may do so at www.starks-menchinger.com.

Ron was born on Aug. 4, 1939, to Samuel and Garnet (Zuraval) Ravitch in Benton Harbor. He graduated from Benton Harbor High School in 1957. Ron proudly served his country in the U.S. Army for over 20 years before his retirement. On July 27, 1985, Ron married Catherine Lindenfeld in St. Joseph. Ron worked as the director of on-campus suspension at Coloma Community Schools for over 10 years before his retirement.

Ron was a member of Shriners, Benton Harbor Masonic Lodge, Berrien County Republican Party, Coloma Rod & Gun Club and past governor of the Benton Harbor Lions Club. Some of his most memorable achievements was being one of the first members of Special Operations (Green Beret) under the Kennedy administration and being the regional aid for Congressman Siljander in the 1980s.

Ron is survived by his wife of 34 years, Catherine Ravitch; children, Anastacia (Mark) Axtel, Abraham "Abe" Ravitch, Tammie (Travis) O'Neal and Jenny Ravitch; stepchildren, Donald "Jim" (Gretchen) Meyer and Thomas Meyer; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Ron was preceded in death by his parents, Samuel and Garnet Ravitch; and brother, Paul Ravitch.

Diane (Dee) Arlene Scott

Sept. 16, 1939 – July 2, 2020

Diane (Dee) Arlene Scott, 80, of Cape Coral, Fla., passed away on July 2, 2020.

She was born Sept. 16, 1939, to Henry and Louise (Schmidt) Stover in Niles. She married Tom Garland on Oct. 10, 1962; he preceded her in death on Jan. 18, 1986. She married George Scott on May 26, 2000; he preceded her in death Dec. 26, 2018. Also preceding her in death were her parents, Henry and Louise Stover; and her daughter, Dana Garland.

Dee was a teacher for Holt Public Schools and taught until 1986. She enjoyed golfing, traveling and assisting with the junior golf program in Cape Coral.

Dee is survived by her son, Mike (Kelli) Garland of Eaton Rapids, Mich.; stepchildren, Sheryl Scott of Okemos, Mich., Lauryl Scott of Dewitt, Mich., and Mark (LaTara) Scott of Plano, Texas; sister, Janet Andrews of La Quinta, Calif.; nieces and nephews; and numerous grandchildren.

Cremation has taken place. A celebration of life will take place at a later date in the Lansing area.

Kathy (Maddox) Kile

Aug. 23, 1947 – July 21, 2020

Kathy Kile, age 72 years, wife, mom, "Auntie," "Grandma Kathy" and friend to all, passed away on July 21, 2020.

Surviving family includes her husband, Doug; son, Todd (Nikki) Pawielski of Niles; brother, Tom Maddox (Melody) of Three Rivers; sister-in-law, Connie (Ron) Moore of South Bend; stepchildren, Kim (Scott) Polsgrove of Quincy, Mass., and Kris (Christina) Kile of Point Lookout, N.Y.

Services for Kathy will be held Tuesday, July 28, at St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, 207 South Lincoln Ave., Niles. Visitation is from noon-2 p.m. The Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 2 p.m. by the Rev. Christian Johnston of the parish, assisted by Deacon Roger Gregorski. Committal Rites will follow at the graveside in Calvary Cemetery in Niles. Those who prefer to witness the ceremony via the livestreamed broadcast may do so on the Halbritter-Wickens Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/halbritterwickensfuneralservices.

See more obituaries on Page A3

Getting it straight

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DO YOU REMEMBER?

1995 – 25 years ago

More sidewalk cafes in downtown St. Joseph may have to wait another summer. The City Commission decided to turn the issue of allowing restaurants to place tables and chairs on the sidewalks in front of their eateries over to the Downtown Development Authority. Commissioners were acting on a request from C.C.'s Country Café.

City Attorney Mark Bowman said he is concerned about the legal issues involved in granting C.C.'s or any other restaurant permission for tables and chairs on the sidewalk. "The problem that arises legally is that there are no standards. You can make it up as you go along, but it's a recipe for disaster."

1985 – 35 years ago

Wyman Miller of Sturgis, former girls varsity basketball coach at Galien High School, has been named Southwestern Michigan College women's basketball coach for the 1985-86 season.

Miller has been a member of the Galien coaching staff for 12 years, both at the junior high and varsity levels. He has also coached baseball and football and served as athletic director during his tenure at Galien. In addition to his coaching, Miller has 10 years experience as an athletic trainer. He replaces Carolyn Baker.

1970 – 50 years ago

The possibility of the ceiling in the Unitarian church falling down has prompted the city of St. Joseph to close the building. Contractors expect to outline the repair project for the church leaders shortly. The church, at Main and Elm streets, is one of the city's oldest landmarks, believed to be built 100 years ago.

Tom Sparks, city building inspector, said a building maintenance firm noted the ceiling had dipped in places. Investigation showed that wooden pins used in the beams had parted and there is nothing holding up the cross beams which hold up the ceiling.

TODAY IN HISTORY

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Saturday, July 25, the 207th day of 2020. There are 159 days left in the year.

Highlight in history:

On July 25, 1866, Ulysses S. Grant was named General of the Army of the United States, the first officer to hold the rank.

On this date:

In 1814, the Battle of Lundy's Lane, one of the bloodiest battles of the War of 1812, took place in present-day Niagara Falls, Ontario, with no clear victor.

In 1898, the United States invaded Puerto Rico during the Spanish-American War.

In 1943, Benito Mussolini was dismissed as premier of Italy by King Victor Emmanuel III, and placed under arrest. (However, Mussolini was later rescued by the Nazis, and re-asserted his authority.)

In 1946, the United States detonated an atomic bomb near Bikini Atoll in the Pacific in the first underwater test of the device.

In 1952, Puerto Rico became a self-governing commonwealth of the United States.

In 1960, a Woolworth's store in Greensboro, North Carolina, that had been the scene of a sit-in protest against its whites-only lunch counter dropped its segregation policy.

5-Day Forecast for St. Joseph

Today	Tonight	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Sunny	Mostly Clear	Partly Cloudy	Few Showers	Sunny	Mostly Sunny
88°	70°	89° / 74°	76° / 66°	77° / 71°	79° / 66°

Local Outlook

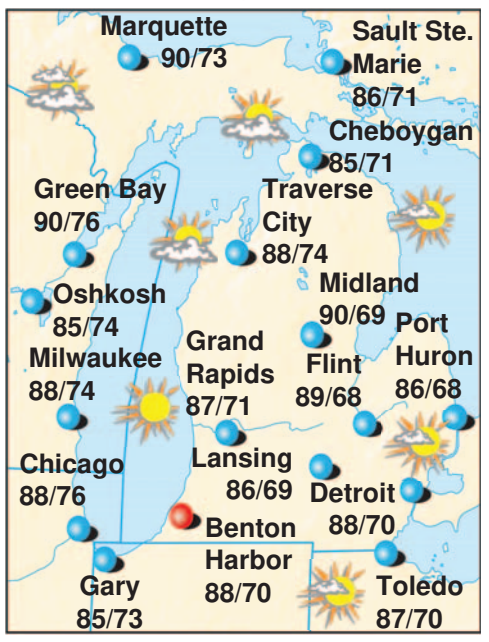
Today we will see sunny skies with a high temperature of 88°, humidity of 52%. South southwest wind 2 to 6 mph. Expect mostly clear skies tonight with an overnight low of 70°. South wind 1 to 6 mph. Sunday, skies will be partly cloudy with a high of 89°, humidity of 57%.

Sun and Moon

Sunrise ..... 6:32 a.m.
Sunset ..... 9:11 p.m.
Moonrise ..... 12:05 p.m.
Moonset ..... Tomorrow

First	Full	Last	New
7/27	8/3	8/11	8/18

Regional Map



Local Almanac

Benton Harbor Yesterday

Temperature

High	82°
Low	67°
Normal High	82°
Normal Low	62°
Record High	98° in 2005
Record Low	50° in 2013

Precipitation

Yesterday	0.00"
Month to date	2.19"
Normal for month	3.44"
Year to date	24.27"
Normal Year to date	20.33"

Air Quality

Yesterday 38
Main Offender ..... Ozone

The higher the number, the greater the need for people with respiratory problems to reduce outside activity.

0-50 ..... Good
51-100 ..... Moderate
101-150 .... Sensitive
151-200 .. Unhealthy

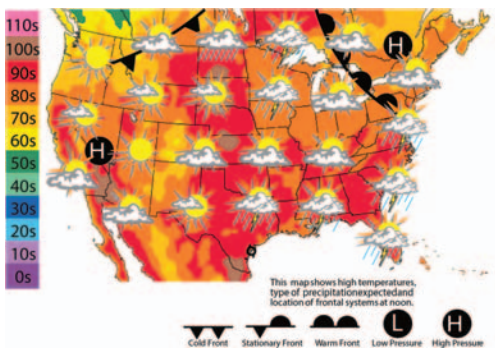
Weather Trivia

What is the temperature of lightning?

Answer: It is estimated at 50,000 degrees Fahrenheit.

National Weather Map

Forecast map for July 25, 2020



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Lake Michigan

Today, Variable winds 5 kt or less. Sunny. Waves 1 ft or less. Water temperature 73 degrees. Tonight, Variable winds less than 5 kt. Mostly clear. Waves 1 ft or less.

Michigan Forecast

Upper Peninsula

Today, skies will be mostly sunny to partly cloudy with highs in the 80s and 90s. South southwest wind 6 to 10 mph. Expect mostly cloudy skies Sunday with widespread showers and thunderstorms, highs in the 80s. Southwest wind 9 to 14 mph.

Lower Peninsula

Today, skies will be mostly sunny with highs in the 80s. South southwest wind 2 to 6 mph. Expect partly cloudy skies Sunday with highs in the 80s and 90s. South southwest wind 6 to 10 mph.

Not this year: Great British summer getaway takes a pause

By PAN PYLAS
Associated Press

LONDON — The air would normally be full of anticipation with kids excitedly planning the coming two weeks and parents anxiously making sure everyone gets on the flight.

The first Friday after schools in Britain close for the summer is always one of the busiest for the country's airports as families escape for the warmer climes of southern Europe, from Portugal's Algarve in the west to the island nation of Cyprus to the east.

Not this year. The coronavirus pandemic has ended all that. The concourses at London's Gatwick Airport, which is the U.K.'s second-busiest, are eerily quiet. In any normal year, it would be the busiest day for departures with 85,000 travelers leaving – only 7,500 are set to take off Friday amid concerns about flying in the era of COVID-19.

Instead, it's all about the "staycation" – fish and chips by the British seaside or woodland retreats inland.

"One of the hardest things for me this lockdown was the realization that I wouldn't get to go home this year," said Deborah Manzanares, a 48-year-old Spanish native who lives in southeast London with her husband and two preteen sons. The family opted to take two week-long holidays in the U.K., instead. Walks and mini-trains and crazy golf – that's this summer's fare.

Britain's traditional seaside towns, such as Blackpool in the northwest of England and Margate in the southeast, are set to gain but campsites, holiday parks and other resorts in more remote parts of the U.K. are also recording bumper business, stretching out into the autumn months that usually see minimal demand.

The British government, which this month eased restrictions on international travel, has been urging families to take their vacations at home to give the hospitality sector a much-needed boost and safeguard tens of thousands of jobs. Prime Minister Boris Johnson said he will be holidaying in the U.K. with his partner and their new-born son.

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hp LOCAL & STATE

Berrien COVID-19 spread picking up steam

Higher rate of positive tests shows 'a true increase in viral activity'

By ALEXANDRA NEWMAN
HP Staff Writer

BENTON TOWNSHIP — The percentage of COVID-19 tests coming back positive is on the rise in Berrien County.

The Berrien County Health Department (BCHD) reported Friday that this increase indicates "a true increase in viral activity."

As of Wednesday, about 4.7 percent of the county's COVID-19 tests were coming back positive. That's out of about 631 tests being administered daily.

On Monday, the county had about 4 percent of its tests coming back positive.

In addition, the BCHD reported Friday that there's an increase of asymptomatic people testing positive, as well as an increase in new cases among adults under the age of 40.

The county recorded about 120 new COVID-19 cases since last Friday. The previous week the county had gained 93 cases, and the week before that about 80.

Berrien County hasn't seen more than 100 new cases in a week since May.

The county's cumulative case count is now up to 1,029, while its recoveries are at 825.

Berrien County gained about 108 recoveries over the last week. The previous week the county gained just 26.

The county is up to about 141 active COVID-19 cases, up from about 132 last Friday.

Spectrum Health Lakeland remains under surge capacity, treating 14 COVID-19 patients as of Friday morning, three more than on Thursday and three more than last Friday.

Two of Berrien County's three COVID-19 deaths this week were residents of Chalet of Niles Nursing and Rehab Center, according to the state's long-term care facility data. There are now 17 residents and 17 staff members there that have tested positive for COVID-19.

Cass County now has two of its COVID-19 deaths linked to the Cass County Medical Care Facility, where 15 residents and 13 staff members have had the virus.

Van Buren County still just has staff members at its long-term care facilities with the virus. It has not spread to residents.

Van Buren/Cass

As with Berrien County, Van Buren and Cass county's test positivity rates are also increasing.

Van Buren County had about 4.1 percent of its tests coming back positive as of Wednesday, up from 2.8 percent on Monday.

Cass County saw about 5.1 percent of its tests coming back positive as of Wednesday, up from 3.5 percent on Monday.

The Van Buren Cass District Health Department released its weekly total of recovered individuals Friday. There are now 125 people recovered in Cass County and 192 recovered in Van Buren County.

Cass County gained 21 recoveries since last week, while also gaining 34 new cases and one death.

The county gained about the same number of new cases as it did the week before, unlike Van Buren County, which almost doubled its weekly number of new cases.

Van Buren County gained 46 new cases since last Friday, while the previous week it gained just 21.

During the same time, the county gained seven COVID-19 recoveries and one death.

There are now about 102 active COVID-19 cases in Van Buren County and 98 active cases in Cass County.

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UMBRELLAS EVERYWHERE

Don Campbell / HP staff

Umbrellas are reflected in a canal as diners enjoy lunch on the outside patio of Clifford's Coffee Canal in Benton Harbor on Friday.

Michigan State Police announce recruit school

By JULIE SWIDWA
HP Staff Writer

LANSING — There is a great need for police officers across the state, and the Michigan State Police count on recruiting efforts to fill that need.

And although this year's recruit school had to be postponed due to the COVID-19 pandemic, it was not canceled.

According to MSP Inspector Lisa Rish with the MSP Human Resources Division, Recruiting and Selection Section, the 138th Trooper Recruit School had been scheduled to begin in late May.

It was postponed due to COVID-19 safety, and will now begin Sept. 8.

"We need troopers statewide. But the target number to begin the 138th Trooper Recruit School is 65. During the selection process, each applicant selects three posts they are interested in being assigned to and they receive their post assignment prior to recruit school starting," Rish said.

Trooper Recruit School is a 26-week residential program, and recruits are required to live at the MSP Training Academy in Lansing Sunday through Friday.

Minimum qualifications are:

- Applicant must be at least 18 years old to take the Entry Level Law Enforcement Exam. A passing score is good for five years.
- Applicant must be a United States citizen.
- Applicant must be a Michigan resident by the time of recruit school graduation.
- Applicant must have a valid Michigan driver's license by recruit school graduation.
- Applicant must be 21 by recruit school graduation.
- Applicant must have a high school diploma or G.E.D. A college education is not required, though it is recommended.
- Applicant may not have a felony conviction or be a suspect in any case in which conviction is likely.
- Applicant must meet the Michigan Commission On Law Enforcement Standards minimum hearing requirements as well as the department's Visual Acuity Standards.
- Applicant must pass the MCOLES Physical Fitness Test.
- Applicant must show a pattern of fiscal responsibility.
- Applicants must have good moral character.

"We accept applications on a continuous basis," Rish said.

Recruits are paid approximately $3,800 per month, including health benefits during recruit school. Base salary increases to approximately $50,000 annually with a raise upon completion of one year. Recruits are also given an opportunity to select and know their post assignment prior to the start of recruit school.

For information on how to begin the process, contact Trooper Kellie Shaffer at Shafferk@michigan.gov.

More information is available online at www.michigan.gov/msp, where the recruiting and selection process is fully detailed. People also are encouraged to connect with MSP on Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, YouTube and LinkedIn, or on the free mobile app MSP Mobile.

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Second round of pandemic funds available for small businesses in VB, Cass counties

By HP STAFF

PAW PAW — A second round of funding will soon be available to help small businesses in Van Buren and Cass counties negatively impacted by the coronavirus pandemic.

Market Van Buren, an economic development organization serving Van Buren and Cass counties, is taking applications from businesses applying for funding through the Michigan Small Business Restart Program. Businesses need to act quickly, however. The deadline to be considered for grants is Aug. 5.

"Small businesses have borne the brunt of the assault of COVID-19, and the ReStart program is a great way to get some working capital, cover expenses like rent, staffing and other costs," said Market Van Buren Executive Director Zach Morris.

Morris worked with the state to secure more than $100,000 of help local companies in an earlier grant program in April. The ReStart program, however, has substantially more resources than the earlier initiative.

Southwest Michigan will receive $7.5 million of the $100 million dollar state program, according to Morris. To be eligible, businesses and nonprofits with 50 or fewer employees located in Michigan must have the following:

- Be part of an industry or nonprofit that can demonstrate it has been impacted by the COVID-19 emergency;
- Need working capital to support payroll expenses, rent, mortgage payments, utility expenses and similar costs;
- Demonstrate an income loss because of COVID-19 emergency as determined by the Michigan Strategic Fund.

In addition, at least 30 percent of the funds awarded under this program will be provided to women-owned, minority-owned, or veteran owned eligible businesses. The state projects more than 5,000 businesses across the state will benefit.

The maximum grant is capped at $20,000.

"We were able to work with the Legislature and other economic developers to change the rules and make companies that received funding the first time also eligible for this round as long as the amount does not exceed the $20 thousand dollar cap," Morris explained. "We are ready to assist our area companies as this pandemic lingers and impacts small businesses. We project that one-third of our small businesses are teetering on the edge, and this could be the lifeline."

PRIMARY ELECTION

Van Buren seeks hike in 911 surcharge on Aug. 4

By HP STAFF

PAW PAW — Van Buren County voters will see only one countywide issue on the Aug. 4 primary election ballot – a proposal to raise the monthly 911 surcharge from $1.92 to $3.

Tim McGee, 911 director for the county, told the county board of commissioners at a meeting two months ago that the money is needed to upgrade the emergency call system's 1970s technology and to provide a backup in case the current dispatch center needs to be evacuated.

"We do not have a true backup center," McGee told the Van Buren County Board of Commissioners in April, or a backup plan in case of a shutdown, as was illustrated by the COVID-19 outbreak.

The current monthly surcharge is $1.92. It is comprised of the $1.17 state surcharge and a local, voter-approved, 75-cent surcharge.

"Any device that can access 911 is assessed the local surcharge per month," McGee said.

If voters approve the $3 fee, the new local surcharge would be $1.83 per device, up from 75 cents, with the state surcharge remaining the same. The $3 fee is the maximum allowed under state law. McGee said some places operate their 911 systems with a millage or a combination of millage and surcharge. Van Buren County only charges the surcharge.

The increase would bring in about $750,000 more than now, totaling $2.1 million when pooled with state money.

The current 911 system has reliability, transmission and reception problems. To build a modern system would run up to $2.25 million, according to McGee, and would include upgrading central dispatch equipment and replacing three or four towers. The field equipment would not need to be replaced.

There are no contested races within the county board districts, or for county officials. There may be other local races or issues on residents' ballots, depending on where they live.

IN BRIEF

Dowagiac woman killed in golf cart crash

DOWAGIAC — A woman from Dowagiac was killed Friday afternoon when she was run over in her yard by her husband who was driving a golf cart, police reported.

Cass County Sheriff Richard J. Behnke reports that his office was called to 25333 67th St., Wayne Township around 1:30 p.m.

First responders arrived on scene and found that a woman had been run over in her yard by a golf cart driven by her husband. Responders tried to revive her without success.

The woman was identified as Patricia Corbidge, 79. Her husband is Edward Corbidge, 82, police said, who added that alcohol and drugs were not factors in this crash. The crash remains under investigation at this time.

Along with Cass deputies, also responding were the Dowagiac Fire Department, Wayne Township firefighters, plus Pride Care ambulance.

Robinson named superintendent at Buchanan schools

BUCHANAN — Former Benton Harbor Area Schools Assistant Superintendent Patricia Robinson was named earlier this week as the superintendent of Buchanan Community Schools.

Her tentative start date is Aug. 1. She was chosen out of a pool of 23 applicants. Six candidates were interviewed and three participated in a second interview.

When contacted by phone, Robinson said she is very excited about the opportunity to serve.

Robinson worked for the Benton Harbor school district for over 20 years, starting as a teacher and ending as an assistant superintendent. She also served as the interim superintendent at least three times.

BH presents plan to spend CDBG money

BENTON HARBOR — Citizens can comment on Benton Harbor's plan to spend federal Community Development Block Grant money during a virtual public hearing at 5:30 p.m. Aug. 3.

The hearing will cover the annual action plan for $426,496 for the 2020 fiscal year, and $155,000 the city has chosen to reprogram from the 2019 fiscal year.

It will also cover the amended plan for the

See **BRIEF**, page B2

BERRIEN COUNTY TRIAL COURT

Sentences

St. Joseph

Drugs

Sharon K. Reynolds, 74, of Rackliffe Drive, Benton Harbor, 4-20 years in prison, $250 in costs, and $3,323 in restitution for delivery/manufacture of narcotics, less than 50 grams cocaine; and a concurrent term of 12 days, credit for 12 days served, and $68 in costs for manufacturing or distributing an imitation controlled substance April 7, 2019, in Benton Harbor.

Michael A. Reynolds, 28, of Rackliffe Drive, Benton Harbor, 5-20 years in prison, credit for 1 day served, $198 in costs and $3,323 in restitution for delivery/manufacture of narcotics, less than 50 grams cocaine; and a concurrent term of 17 months to 2 years and $68 in costs for manufacturing or distributing an imitation controlled substance April 7, 2019, in Benton Harbor.

Carlos S. Pugh, 36, of LaSalle Street, Benton Harbor, 120 days in jail, credit for 6 days served, and $198 in costs for possession of narcotics, less than 25 grams cocaine, Feb. 7 in Benton Township.

Drunken driving

Larry L. Carter III, 28, of Bishop Avenue, Benton Harbor, 2-5 years in prison, credit for 5 days served, and $198 in costs for operating while intoxicated causing serious injury Dec. 15, 2019, in St. Joseph.

Weapons

Day-Shawn L. Smith, 22, of Crystal Court, Benton Harbor, 287 days in jail, credit for 287 days served, and $198 in costs for attempted carrying a concealed weapon, a handgun, in an automobile May 9, 2018, in Oronoko Township.

Fleeing police

W.L. Buchanan, 59, of Linden Street, Benton Harbor, 270 days in jail, credit for 15 days served, for third-degree fleeing police March 10 in Benton Harbor.

Assault

William G. Shannon, 36, no permanent address, 341 days in jail, credit for 341 days served, for aggravated assault, an assault on a woman with a knife, July 12, 2019, in Benton Harbor; and a concurrent term of 341 days and $198 in costs for possession of narcotics, less than 25 grams cocaine, Aug. 8, 2019, in Benton Harbor.

Tampering with tether

Demetrious D. Simpson, 30, of Territorial Road, Benton Harbor, 120 days in jail, credit for 50 days served, and $198 in costs for tampering with an electronic device, removing a jail tether, May 10 in Benton Township.

Niles

Uttering/publishing

Latrice Shana-Danielle Coleman, 26, of East Vineyard Avenue, Benton Harbor, 5 days in jail, credit for 5 days served, $258 in costs, $1,810 in restitution and 18 months probation for attempted uttering and publishing a false, forged, altered or counterfeit record, a check, April 1, 2015, in Niles Township.

Drugs

George L. Harris, 28, of South Bend, 3-20 years in prison, credit for 6 days served, and $198 in costs for delivery/manufacture of narcotics, less than 50 grams cocaine, July 16, 2019, in Niles Township.

Glenn A. Ault, 50, of U.S. 31, Berrien Springs, 8 days in jail, credit for 8 days served, $658 in fines and costs, $450 in restitution, 180 days on tether, 3 years probation and driver's license suspended for 180 days, restricted after 60 days, for delivery/manufacture of a controlled substance, methamphetamine, July 26, 2019, in Berrien Township.

Other

Alexandra R. Kollars, 30, of Walkerton, Ind., $598 in fines and costs, $860 in restitution and 1 year probation for obstruction of justice, giving a false name to police during a traffic stop, Jan. 8 in Niles Township.

BRIEF

From page B1

$250,905 the city is receiving in CDBG money through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. The money is received through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

The meeting, hosted by the city's Department of Community and Economic Development, will be virtual due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Instructions on how to join the meeting can be found on the city's website at www.bhcity.us.

For more information, contact Tracy-Ann Jennings, director of the Benton Harbor Community & Economic Development department, at 204-2776 or submit written comments to Community & Economic Development, 200 E. Wall St., Benton Harbor, 49022.

Meeting set to interview financial director candidate

BENTON HARBOR — Benton Harbor city commissioners will interview Maria Alexeychuk from LaPorte, Ind., to be the city's financial director on Monday.

She is the owner of Alexeychuk & Company Public Accounting Firm.

The special meeting will start at 7 p.m. and will be held virtually due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Information on how to join the meeting can be found on the city's website at www.bhcity.us.

Commissioners will also consider amending the city's ordinances to allow golf carts at Jean Klock Park.

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Damage to Enbridge Line 5 pipeline may have come from company's own contractors

By CHEYNA ROTH
mlive.com

LANSING — Vessels hired by Enbridge might be to blame for recent damage to the Line 5 pipeline that runs under the Straits of Mackinac.

The controversial pipeline transports nearly 23 million gallons of oil per day between the Lower and Upper Peninsula. In May and June, the Canadian company revealed damage to the line including spots on the pipeline where protective coating had worn away and bare metal was exposed, and damage to an anchor support on the dual pipeline.

Enbridge conducted an internal investigation and submitted a report to the state and the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration.

The state department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy said it is reviewing the report and did not have a comment.

Following interviews, inspection of the line, and reviewing vessel data, Enbridge found that a "small to moderately sized vessel" dragged a cable across the dual pipeline causing the damage, the report said. The report identified 5 vessels as "possible causes" of the damage, including four vessels that were contracted by Enbridge.

After Enbridge reported the damage, a judge shut down both lines. The west leg of the line was later allowed to continue operating again, and an Ingham County judge is now waiting to hear from federal regulators about whether the line is safe before deciding if Enbridge can once again use the east leg of the pipeline.

Enbridge maintains the line is safe.

"Enbridge's comprehensive investigation has confirmed conclusively that there is no safety issue with either the east or west segments of the Line 5 pipeline; both segments are safe to operate," said spokesman Ryan Duffy in a statement.

The state and Enbridge have been in a contentious legal battle over the life of Line 5 for more than a year.

In 2018, Enbridge struck a deal with then-governor Rick Snyder to build a tunnel under the straits, and house a new section of line in the tunnel.

Attorney General Dana Nessel filed a lawsuit in June 2019 asking that the line be shut down immediately. The lawsuit claims that the continued operation of Line 5 violates the public trust doctrine, is a common law public nuisance, and violates the Michigan Environmental Protection Act because it is likely to cause pollution impairment and destruction of water and other natural resources.

Enbridge has always maintained that the 65-year old line is operating safely and in accordance with its 1953 Easement with the state.

"We are committed to protecting the environment and the people who use the waters of the Great Lakes, while keeping energy flowing to those who need it," Duffy said in an email. "That is why we continue to pursue our plans to encase the pipelines currently on the floor of the lakebed in a concrete-lined tunnel deep under the Straits."

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On the Tuesday, August 4th Primary Ballot there will be a request for a millage RENEWAL with NO INCREASE. This millage supports the seven Senior Citizen Centers in Berrien County.

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hp OUTDOORS

Submitting hunting or fishing photos

Have a behemoth buck, a tremendous turkey or super-sized salmon? Please submit photos to sports@TheHP.com.

Your photo must be in focus, all persons in the photo must be identified, and the general location of the hunt must be provided (for example, 10-point buck shot in Benton Township, black bear shot near Munising, Mich., etc.)

13 Michigan state parks celebrate 100 years

By JOHN PEPIN
Michigan Department of Natural Resources

Photo provided / Michigan DNR

An undated historical photo shows visitors camping and picknicking at Otsego Lake State Park in Otsego County.

Like Band-aid bandages, Baby Ruth candy bars, the National Football League and the psychiatrist Rorschack's ink-blot test, 13 of Michigan's 103 state parks are this year turning 100 years old.

It was 1920 – the simultaneous infancy and highwater benchmark year in development of Michigan's state parks system – when these 13 state parks were established within portions of as many counties across the Lower Peninsula.

Counties where the parks were set up included portions of Cheyboygan, Oceana, Ottawa, Alcona, Presque Isle, Otsego, Clare, Grand Traverse, Charlevoix, Wexford, Lenawee, Jackson and Washtenaw counties.

The previous year, Interlochen had become the first state park in Michigan established under the auspices of the Michigan State Parks Commission.

It wouldn't be until 1922, with Brimley and Baraga, that the first mainland state parks would be created in the Upper Peninsula. A state park at Mackinac Island and Fort Michilimackinac had been created previously under another governance.

Here is a closer look at each of the 13 state parks established in 1920.

Burt Lake State Park

Home to 2,000 feet of sandy shoreline, fishing and boating, this state park is situated south of Indian River, along the southeast corner of 17,120-acre Burt Lake in Cheboygan County. The first portion of land to be set aside for the park was purchased in 1920, with more land acquired through 1939 bringing the total size of the park to 406 acres.

Charles Mears State Park

Located along the shores of Lake Michigan in Oceana County, a harbor pier, paved campsites and a fine sand swimming beach greet visitors to this 50-acre state park in Pentwater. Namesake Mears was an early settler of Pentwater who built a sawmill, and a boarding house and founded the Middlesex Brick & Title Co. His daughter would later donate land for the park.

Grand Haven State Park

Situated between the beauty of Lake Michigan to the west and the Grand River on the north, this 48-acre beach state park in Ottawa County offers scenic views of the lake and the Grand Haven pier and lighthouse. An initial 10 acres from the estate of Stephen Monroe was purchased by the city of Grand Haven and offered to the state for development of this park. The Battle Creek Enquirer reported the land was officially accepted by the state conservation commission in June 1921.

Harrisville State Park

This 107-acre park in Alcona County is within walking distance of the resort town of Harrisville on the sandy shores of Lake Huron. Near the Sturgeon Point Lighthouse, the park has a day-use and campground area among a stand of cedar and pine trees.

Onaway State Park

Located 6 miles north of Onaway along M-211, this park in Presque Isle County is known for its rugged and picturesque landscape along the shores of Black Lake. At 158-acres, the park sports sand cobblestone beaches, unique rock outcroppings and virgin white pines. The park, located in an area once frequented by Ojibwa Indians, was acquired from Presque Isle County and private donors.

Otsego Lake State Park

This 62-acre park, home to sandy beaches with beautiful views, is found south of Gaylord in Otsego County. The park has easy access to Michigan's signature Iron Belle Trail for biking and hiking, along with opportunities for boating and fishing. Large oak, maple and pine trees offer visitors shade on hot summer days.

P.H. Hoeft State Park

Named for lumber baron Paul H. Hoeft, who donated property toward creation of this Presque Isle County recreation destination, this 304-acre park is heavily wooded and situated along the Lake Huron shoreline. A picnic pavilion was built by the Civilian Conservation Corps during the 1930s. There are several trails here, including beach and hardwood forest trails that stretch for 1.5 miles each, along with the Ocqueoc Falls Bicentennial Pathway.

Silver Lake State Park

At 2,936 acres, this is the largest of those early state parks created a century ago. Located along the Lake Michigan shore in Oceana County, Silver Lake State Park is best known for extensive sand dunes that attract off-road vehicle riders to the park's scramble area. These are the only sand dunes open to off-road vehicle riders east of the Mississippi River. The park also features camping and swimming.

Traverse City State Park

Later renamed Keith J. Charters Traverse City State Park, after the conservationist, hunter and fisherman who served on the Michigan Natural Resources Commission from 1994 to 2010, this park is located on a quarter mile of beach on Grand Traverse Bay. The 47-acre park in Grand Traverse County was initially established on 16 acres of land, with additional property added in 1921 and 1939.

Cedar Hill State Park

This southern Michigan park situated on Wamplers Lake, 9 miles west of Clinton, was later renamed for state Sen. Walter J. Hayes after land was donated to the park honoring him. Today, the 78 acres at W.J. Hayes State Park are found within portions of Lenawee, Jackson and Washtenaw counties, in an area known as the Irish Hills, which is home to 52 lakes and rolling topography. Activities here range from geocaching and metal detecting to boating, fishing and swimming.

Wilson State Park

Located in Clare County at the north end of Budd Lake, this park offers 36 wooded acres, with fishing, paddling and opportunities for day trips, near Harrison. This location was the original site of the Wilson Brothers Sawmill and Company Store, which thrived in the late 1800s.

William Mitchell State Park

Situated between Lake Cadillac and Lake Mitchell, this 334-acre park in Wexford County is popular as a camping, fishing and boating destination. A historic canal runs through the park and connects the two lakes. The Carl T. Johnson Hunting and Fishing Center and the Mitchell Heritage Nature Trail are located within the park.

Young State Park

This 563-acre park on Lake Charlevoix is home to a popular beach and an interesting blend of gently rolling terrain, cedar swamp and lowlands. The park's concession stand was built during the 1930s by the Civilian Conservation Corps.

GET OUTDOORS

Watervliet Rod & Gun Club

CPL classes: The Watervliet Rod and Gun Club is offering concealed pistol license classes through the end of the year.

August: Register from 6-7 p.m. Aug. 11. Classes are from 6-10 p.m. Aug. 13 and from 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Aug. 15

September: Register from 6-7 p.m. Sept. 15. Classes are from 6-10 p.m. Sept. 17 and from 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Sept. 19.

October: Register from 6-7 p.m. Oct. 6. Classes are from 6-10 p.m. Oct. 8 and from 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Oct. 10.

December: Register from 6-7 p.m. Dec. 1. Classes are from 6-10 p.m. Dec. 3 and from 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Dec. 5.

For more information, call 470-9191 or 468-3837.

Submit information for Get Outdoors to sports@TheHP.com, fax to 429-4392 or call 429-1294 by Wednesday.

FISHING REPORT

Southwest Lower Peninsula

St. Joseph: There was excellent perch fishing. The fish are somewhat scattered but anglers who work at it are catching limits. Fish were caught both north and south of the piers in water as shallow as 18 feet or as deep as 50 feet. Salmon anglers are catching lake trout in good numbers in 80 to 130 feet. The occasional steelhead and salmon were also caught on spoons. Pier anglers targeting steelhead had slow fishing as the water around the pier is too warm. A lot of freshwater drum were caught.

South Haven: Perch fishing is not consistent. Some anglers are catching lots of fish while many others are struggling. Fish are being caught in 20 to 60 feet. Salmon anglers are catching a few lake trout in 100 feet or so. Pier fishing was slow except for freshwater drum.

Holland: A mix of salmon and trout were caught 50 to 100 feet down in 90 to 180 feet. Salmon were hitting on a variety of spoons, flies and meat rigs while lake trout were hitting yellow spin-glo's on the bottom. A couple freshwater drum were caught when casting spoons or using dead bait on the bottom.

Port Sheldon: Salmon action was hit-or-miss, but a few were found 45 to 100 feet down in 80 to 140 feet when trolling blue and green meat rigs. Lake trout were caught on the bottom with yellow spin-glo's.

Grand Haven: The Harbor Island Boat launch remains closed.

Grand River near Grand Rapids: Slow fishing continues with the warm water. Some were getting small catfish.

Maple River: Those targeting catfish caught few, but the bullhead bite was good.

Muskegon: Lake trout, along with a couple steelhead, were caught 45 to 100 feet down in 90 to 160 feet. Lake trout were hitting yellow spin-glo's on the bottom. Steelhead were hitting green and blue spoons and green and yellow meat rigs.

Muskegon River: Hardy Pond continues to produce some walleye. Those fishing up by the Reedsburg Dam near Houghton Lake caught smallmouth bass, bluegills, a few perch, crappie and pike. Most were using crawlers and leeches.

— Michigan DNR, July 23

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3.5 V6 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Bright Machined Face Wheels, 79K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, Memory Power Leather Heated/AC Front Seats, Heated Steering Wheel, 2nd Row Heated Seats, Auto Climate Control, Adaptive Cruise Control, SYNC 3, Lane Keeping System, Reverse Sensing System, Active Park Assist, Rear View Camera, Front 180 Degree Camera, Trailer Tow Package, Power Lift Gate, Car Smart Checked! Magnetic F20019A

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2017 FORD EDGE SEL AWD

2.0 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Polished Aluminum Wheels, 26K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, Power Leather Heated Front Seats, Heated Steering Wheel, Power Panoramic Moon Roof, Blind Spot Monitoring, Reverse Sensing System Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! White Platinum U20123

NOW $26,553

2017 FORD ESCAPE SE 4X4

1.5 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Silver Painted Aluminum Wheels, 36K Miles, Power Driver's Seat, SYNC, Auto Climate Control, CD-Player, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! White Gold U20124

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2017 GMC SIERRA 1500 LT Z-71 CREW CAB 4X4

5.3 V8 EFI Engine, 8 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 53K Miles, Pick-Up Bed Cap, Bed Liner, Running Boards, Remote Start, Memory Power Leather Heated/AC Seating, Auto Climate Control, CD-Player, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Balance of Factory Warranty! White U20065

NOW $35,170

2016 FORD EDGE SEL AWD

2.0 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Painted Aluminum Wheels, 71K Miles, Remote Start, Power Front Seats, CD-Player, Reverse Sensing System, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! Kona Blue F19415A

NOW $18,999

2017 FORD ESCAPE SE 4X4

1.5 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Silver Painted Aluminum Wheels, 29K Miles, Power Driver's Seat, Auto Climate Control, SYNC 3, Blind Spot Information System Reverse Sensing System, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! Black Shadow U20117

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2017 RAM 2500 TRADESMAN CREW CAB 4X4

6.4 V8 HEMI EFI Heavy Duty Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Steel Wheels, Only 21K Miles, Security Cover, Running Boards, Chrome Appearance Group, Touchscreen Display, Rear Park Assist System, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ram Certified! Brilliant Black C20203H

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2018 DODGE CHARGER GT AWD

3.6 V6 EFI Engine, 8 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 30K Miles, Remote Start, Memory Power Leather Heated/AC Front Seats, Heated Steering Wheel, 2nd Row Heated Seats, Blind Spot and Cross Path Detection, Rear View Camera, Touchscreen Display, Remote Keyless Entry System, Dodge Certified! Granite U20050

NOW $25,442

2017 RAM 1500 ST BIG HORN CREW CAB 4X4

5.7 V8 HEMI EFI Engine, 8 Speed Automatic, Black Aluminum Wheels, 56K Miles, Bed Liner, Running Boards, Remote Start, Navigation, Power Driver's Seat, Power Adjust Pedals, Heated Front Seats, Heated Steering Wheel, Front-Reverse Park Assist, Rear View Camera, Trailer Tow Package, Remote Keyless Entry System, Car Smart Checked! Ignition Orange C20214A

NOW $33,319

2018 FORD EDGE SEL AWD

2.0 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Silver Painted Aluminum Wheels, Only 15K Miles! Remote Start, SYNC, Power Driver's Seat, Auto Climate Control, Reverse Sensing System, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! Blue Metallic F20307A

NOW $26,769

2017 FORD EDGE SEL AWD

2.0 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Silver Painter Aluminum Wheels, 45K Miles, Power Leather Heated Front Seats, Climate Control, CD-Player, Reverse Sensing System, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! White Gold U20136

NOW $23,921

2017 FORD ESCAPE SE 4X4

1.5 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Silver Painted Aluminum Wheels, 33K Miles, SYNC 3, Power Driver's Seat, Panoramic Moon Roof, Blind Spot Information System, Reverse Sensing System, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! White Gold U20138

NOW $19,305

2016 MAZDA 6 GRAND TOURING

2.5 EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 52K Miles, Navigation, Power Leather Heated Front Seats, Power Moon Roof, Auto Climate Control, CD-Player, Lane Departure Warning System, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Mazda Certified! Deep Blue Crystal M20058A

NOW $16,500

2017 HONDA CIVIC EX

1.5 EFI Engine, Automatic Transmission, Aluminum Wheels, 24K Miles, Remote Start, Heated Front Seats, Power Moon Roof, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Balance of Factory Warranty! Gray C20042A

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2015 GMC SIERRA 1500 SLT Z-71 CREW CAB 4X4

5.3 EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 93K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, Security Cover, Running Boards, Memory Power Leather Heated Seating, Power Adjust Pedals, Power Moon Roof, Auto Climate Control, Cd-Player, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Car Smart Checked! White C19234A

NOW $29,282

2018 FORD ESCAPE SE 4X4

1.5 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Sparkle Silver Painted Aluminum Wheels, 33K Miles, Power Driver's Seat, Heated Front Seats, Auto Climate Control, CD-Player, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! Shadow Black U20118

NOW $19,898

2009 CHRYSLER TOWN & COUNTRY LIMITED

4.0 V6 EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 156K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, Memory Power Leather Heated Front Seats, 2nd Row Heated Seats, Power Slide Side Doors, DVD Entertainment System, Rear View Camera, Power Lift Gate, Remote Keyless Entry System, Light Sandstone C19300A

NOW $6,854

2017 RAM 1500 SLT BIG HORN CREW CAB 4X4

5.7 V8 HEMI EFI Engine, 8 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Chrome Clad Wheels, 34K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, Touchscreen Display, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ram Certified! Maximum Steel U20120

NOW $32,107

2007 LINCOLN MKX AW

3.5 V6 EFI Engine, Automatic Transmission, Chrome Clad Aluminum Wheels, 115K Miles, Navigation, Power Leather Heated/AC Front Seats, 2nd Row Heated Seats, Panoramic Moon Roof, Auto Climate Control, Reverse Sensing System, Power Lift Gate, Remote Keyless Entry System, Car Smart Checked! Light Sage U20129A

NOW $8,899

2018 FORD EDGE TITANIUM AWD

2.0 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Nickel Painted Aluminum Wheels, 18K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, SYNC 3, Memory Power Leather Heated/AC Front Seats, Heated Steering Wheel, 2nd Row Heated Seats, Panoramic Moon Roof, Auto Climate Control, Lane Keeping System, Blind Spot Monitoring, Reverse Sensing System, Rear View Camera, Adaptive Cruise Control, Hands Free Lift Gate, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! Magnetic U20131

NOW $29,998

2009 TOYOTA HIGHLANDER LIMITED 4X4

3.5 EFI V6 Engine, 5 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 149K Miles, Navigation, Power Leather Heated Front Seats, Power Moon Roof, Auto Climate Control, CD-Player, Remote Keyless Entry System, Car Smart Checked! Blue F20103A

NOW $11,962

2011 TOYOTA SIENNA LIMITED AWD

3.5 EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 158K Miles, Navigation, Memory Power Leather Heated Seating, Power Moon Roof, DVD Entertainment System, Power Slide Side Doors, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Car Smart Checked! Gray C20151A

NOW $12,892

2017 FORD ESCAPE TITANIUM 4X4

2.0 Ecobogst EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Silver Painted Aluminum Wheels, 25K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, Memory Power Leather Heated/AC Seating, Panoramic Moon Roof, Auto Climate Control, SYNC 3, Blind Spot Information System, Reverse Sensing System, Park Assist System, Rear View Camera, Hands Free Light Gate, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! White Platinum U20141

NOW $23,717

2019 JEEP CHEROKEE LATITUDE PLUS 4X4

2.4 EFI Engine, 9 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 26K Miles, Remote Start, Power Driver's Seat, Heated Front Seats, Heated Steering Wheel, Touchscreen Display, Blind Spot and Cross Path Detection, Reverse Park Assist, Rear View Camera, Power Lift Gate, Remote Keyless Entry System, Jeep Certified! Velvet Red Pearl

NOW $22,887

2019 RAM 1500 BIG HORN LONESTAR CREW CAB 4X4

5.7 V8 HEMI EFI Engine, Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 28K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, Security Cover, Bed Liner, Running Boards, Power Driver's Seat, Power Adjust Pedals, Heated Front Seats, Heated Steering Wheels, Power Panoramic Moon Roof, Rear View Camera, Trailer Tow Group, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ram Certified! Bright White

NOW $39,308

2016 FORD EXPLORER LIMITED 4X4

2.3 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 76K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, Memory Power Leather Heated/AC Seats, Heated Steering Wheel, Memory Power Adjust Pedals, 2nd Row Heated Seats, 3rd Row Power Fold Seats, Power Dual Panel Moon Roof, Auto Climate Control, Reverse Sensing System, Rear View Camera, Hands Free Lift Gate, Trailer Tow Group, Remote Keyless Entry System, Car Smart Checked! Magnetic

NOW $24,574

2018 FORD F-250 SRW LARIAT CREW CAB 4X4

6.7 V8 DIESEL EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 34K Miles, Snow Plow Package, F-4X Off-Road Package, Remote Start, Navigation, Chrome Step Bars, Security Cover, Memory Power Leather Heated/AC Seating, Power Adjust Pedals, Power Moon Roof, Auto Climate Control, SYNC 3, Blind Spot Monitor, Reverse Sensing System, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! Magnetic F19125A

NOW $58,653

2018 JEEP WRANGLER JK SPORT 4X4

3.6 V6 EFI Engine, 5 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 30K Miles, Convertible Soft Top, CD-Player, Remote Keyless Entry System, Jeep Certified! Black C20038A

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2017 FORD EDGE SEL AWD

2.0 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Silver Painter Aluminum Wheels, 40K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, Power Heated Front Seats, Heated Steering Wheel, Panoramic Moon Roof, Blind Spot Monitor, Reverse Sensing System, Rear View Camera, Trailer Tow Package, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! Magnetic U20132

NOW $25,499

2017 CHRYSLER PACIFICA TOURING L PLUS

3.6 V6 EFI Engine, 9 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 42K Miles, Remote Start, Power Leather Heated Front Seats, Heated Steering Wheel, 2nd Row Heated Seats, Power Sliding Side Doors, Touchscreen Display, Rear Park Assist, Rear View Camera, DVD Entertainment System, Power Lift Gate, Remote Keyless Entry System, Chrysler Certified! Billet Silver U20052

WAS $25,995 NOW $25,181

2017 FORD ESCAPE TITANIUM 4X4

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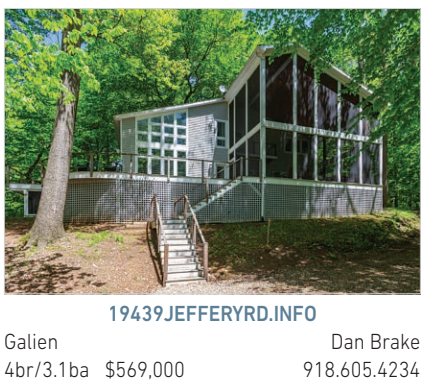

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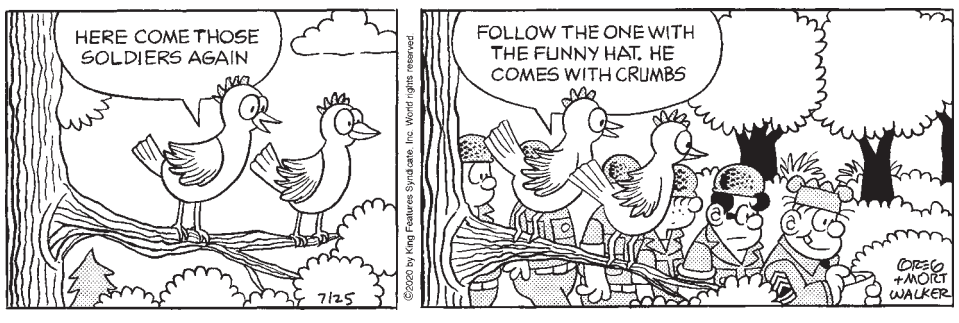
HERE COME THOSE SOLDIERS AGAIN
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FOLLOW THE ONE WITH THE FUNNY HAT. HE COMES WITH CRUMBS
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DEAR, IS THAT YOU RUMBLING?
YES, MY STOMACH IS CRYING OUT TO MY BRAIN, WHICH IS JUMP-STARTING MY TASTE BUDS!
I'D BE DOING MY TUMMY A DISSERVICE IF I DIDN'T RESOLVE THIS CONFLICT
IT'S NOT EASY BEING A PEACEMAKER
YOU'RE A GIVER, DEAR
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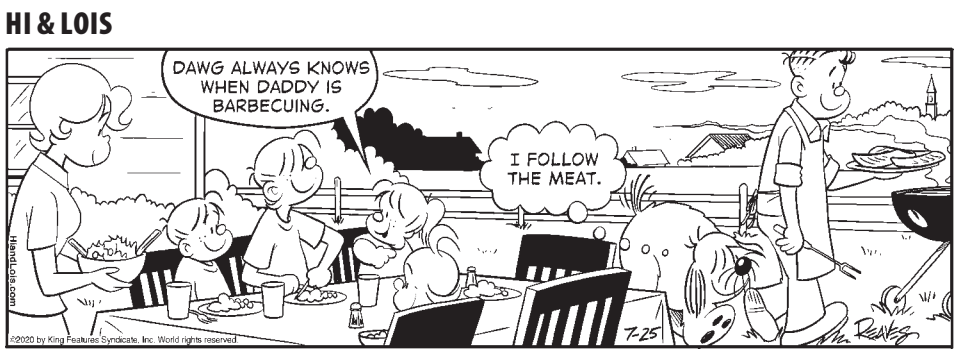
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I FOLLOW THE MEAT.
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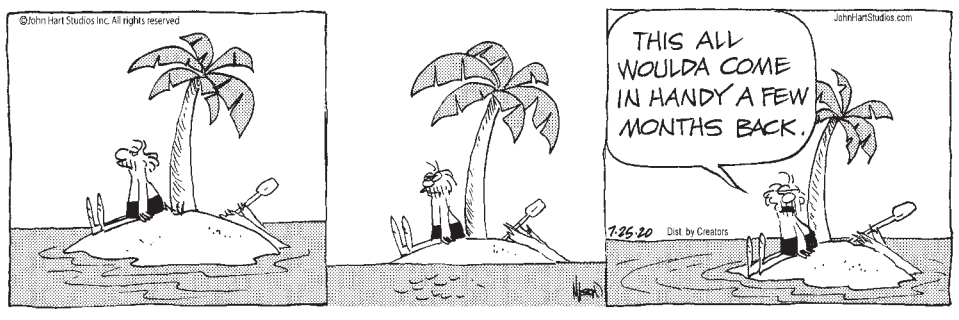
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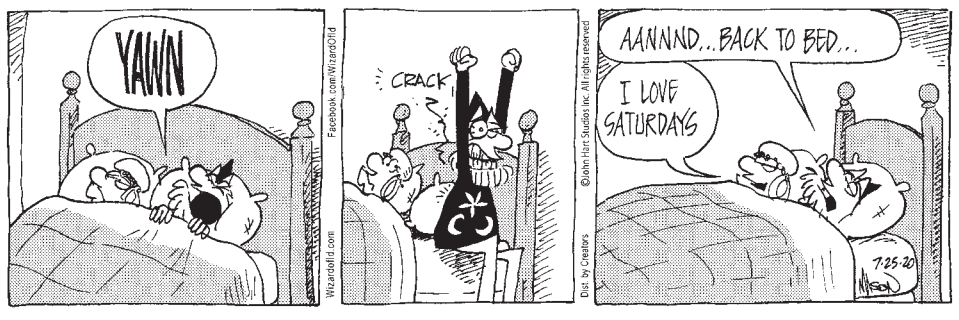

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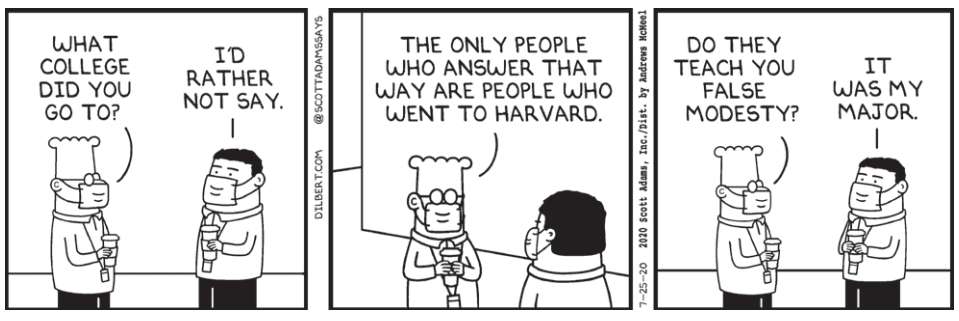
WHAT COLLEGE DID YOU GO TO?
I'D RATHER NOT SAY.
THE ONLY PEOPLE WHO ANSWER THAT WAY ARE PEOPLE WHO WENT TO HARVARD.
DO THEY TEACH YOU FALSE MODESTY?
IT WAS MY MAJOR.
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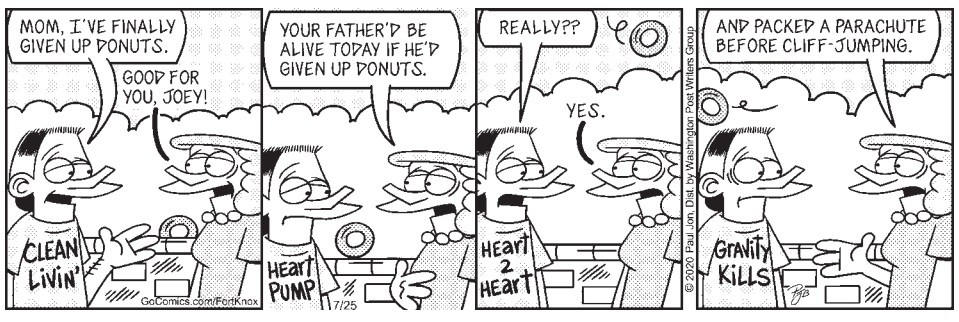

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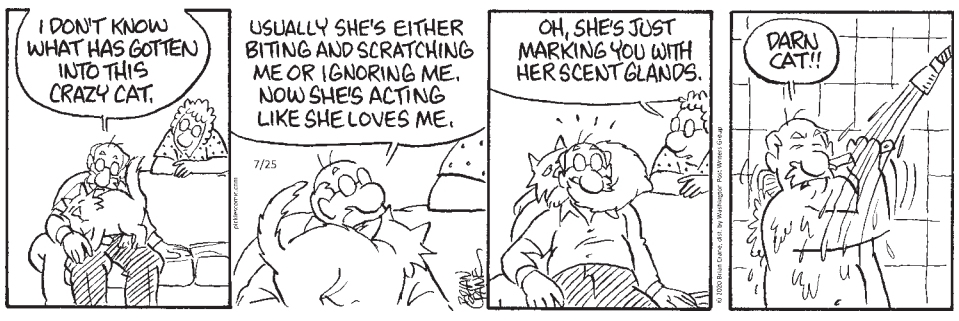
I DON'T KNOW WHAT HAS GOTTEN INTO THIS CRAZY CAT.
USUALLY SHE'S EITHER BITING AND SCRATCHING ME OR IGNORING ME. NOW SHE'S ACTING LIKE SHE LOVES ME.
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OH, SHE'S JUST MARKING YOU WITH HER SCENT GLANDS.
DARN CAT!!
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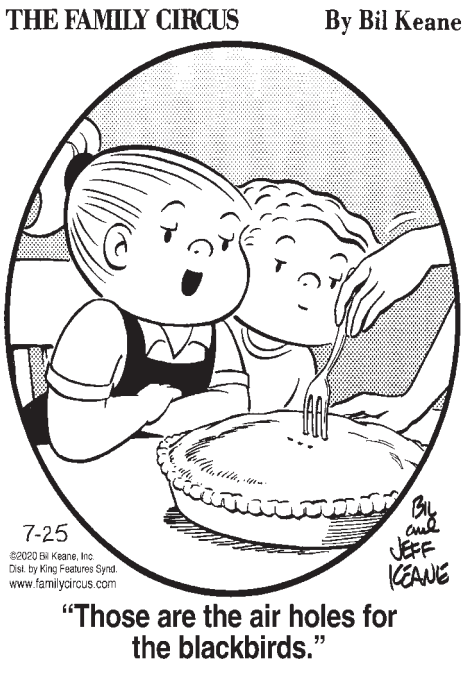
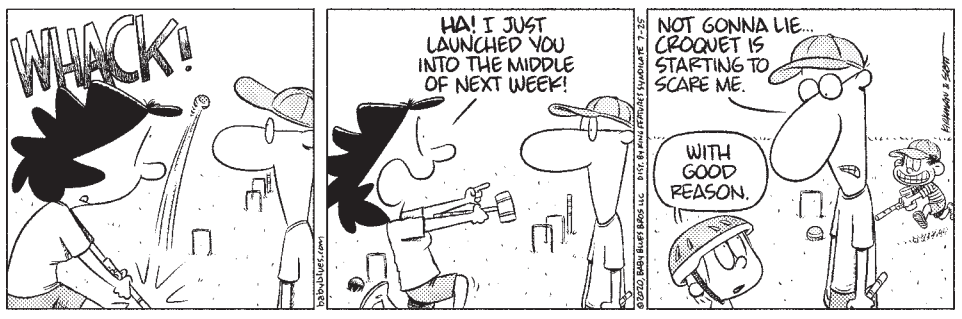


"Those are the air holes for the blackbirds."

DENNIS THE MENACE

"SEE, JOEY...YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE EMBARRASSED. THIS GUY STILL USES HIS HIGH CHAIR TOO."

BABY BLUES


WHACK!
HA! I JUST LAUNCHED YOU INTO THE MIDDLE OF NEXT WEEK!
NOT GONNA LIE... CROQUET IS STARTING TO SCARE ME.
WITH GOOD REASON.
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CURTIS

UMMM-UMM, BURGERS AND FRIES!
MY FAVORITES!
SOMETIMES I ASK IF I DESERVE A MOTHER LIKE YOU
AND IF YOU VALUE YOUR SMILE YOU WON'T ANSWER THAT QUESTION, CUPCAKE!!
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OH, YEAH... MY TIRES ARE GETTING BALD.
THANKS FOR THE REMINDER.
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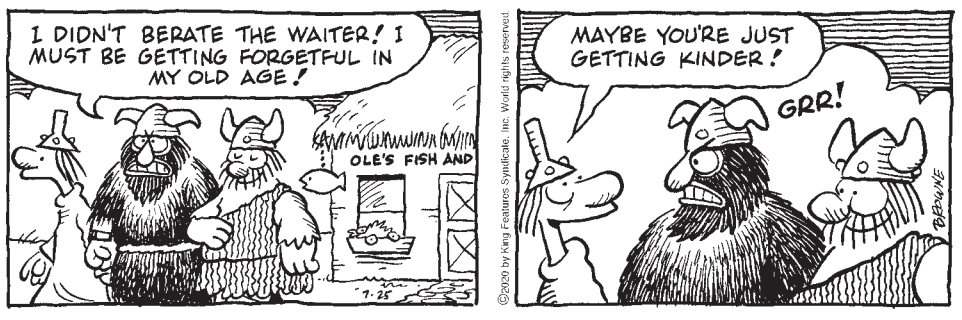
HAGAR THE HORRIBLE


I DIDN'T BERATE THE WAITER! I MUST BE GETTING FORGETFUL IN MY OLD AGE!
OLE'S FISH AND
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MAYBE YOU'RE JUST GETTING KINDER!
GRR!
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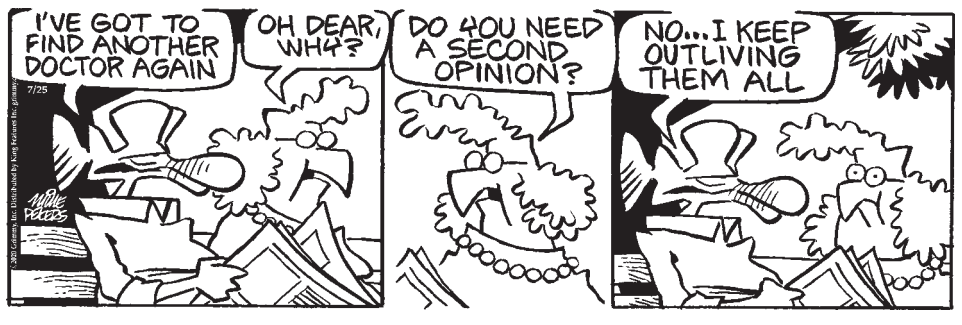
I'VE GOT TO FIND ANOTHER DOCTOR AGAIN
OH DEAR, WHY?
DO YOU NEED A SECOND OPINION?
NO...I KEEP OUTLIVING THEM ALL
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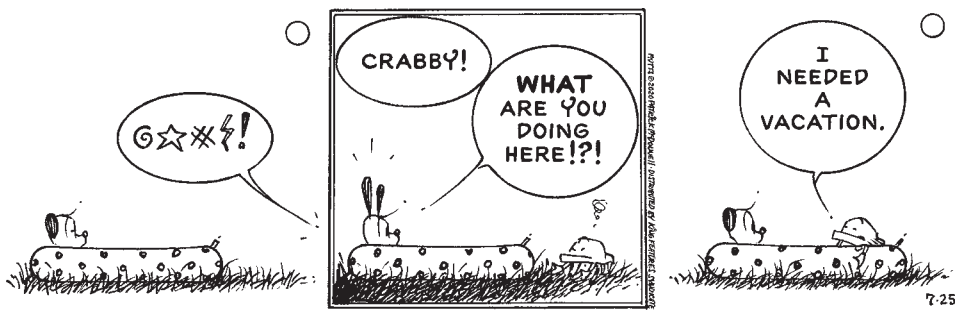

SALLY FORTH

I DON'T THINK YOU MADE THE RIGHT CHOICE, DAD. I REALLY DON'T. IF I HAD KNOWN YOU WERE SICK I WOULD HAVE FOCUSED ON OUR LAST YEAR TOGETHER. I WOULD HAVE A LOT MORE MEMORIES OF YOU. OF US.
KEEFE
BUT NOW YOU HAVE THIS ONE. AND MAYBE YOU'LL REMEMBER MORE.
AND THEN MAYBE ONE DAY WE CAN HAVE A PROPER–
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LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Evaluate your situation and consider ways to make it better. A pick-me-up will lead to a positive change and healthier relationships. Romance and physical fitness are favored.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Take part in a program that teaches you something you want to master. The experience will have an impact on your life that will be instrumental in guiding you in the right direction.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Reevaluate your motives. Think twice about how you are dealing with others. Go over your papers and make the necessary updates. Stop procrastinating and start initiating change.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Combine business and pleasure. Discuss your ideas with someone you hope will take part in carrying them out. Make your intentions clear and proceed with your plans. A lifestyle change will enrich you emotionally and spiritually.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Take aggressive action if it will help you get things done. The changes you make at home will make it easier to adjust to new living conditions. Romance will lift your spirits.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Avoid getting into a spat with someone eager to fight back. If a change is necessary, make it in good faith and with the support of those affected by your actions.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) You can count on your emotions to steer you in the right direction. Listen to your heart and do what's best for you. Personal improvements will boost your morale.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Keep personal information secret. Take an intelligent approach when dealing with seniors and children. Heartfelt discussions will get you further than forcing your will on others.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Don't fall behind. Put in the time to finish what you start in order to avoid criticism and complaints. Physical activities will ease stress, and romance will brighten your day.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Your friends and family will welcome a change you make. Get into the swing of things and expand your interests. Time spent learning something new will pay off.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) If you remain calm, everything around you will settle down. Look inward and concentrate on personal growth and making physical changes that will boost your confidence. Romance will enhance your life.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Make your thoughts and feelings clear. You may meet with opposition, but once you know who is on your side and who isn't, it will pave the way to a better future.

HOROSCOPE

By EUGENIA LAST

SUNDAY, JULY 26

Get back to basics, practice moderation, use discipline and fine-tune your life to boost your emotional, financial and physical well-being. Don't feel that you must keep up with anyone. Your only competition is you. Once you recognize what's essential, doors will open and success will be yours.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Do what makes you happy. Put a smile on someone's face. What you have to offer will make you feel good about who you are and what you achieve. Romance is present.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Listen to what someone has to say, but don't believe everything you hear. Don't let your emotions mess with your intelligence. Recognize when someone is taking advantage of you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Tempers will mount. Take a step back and consider the effects an argument will have on a relationship. Look for a peaceful solution. A physical outlet will ease stress.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Research something that interests you. What you discover will lead you closer to a lifestyle that offers peace of mind. Learn as much as possible and map out your dreams.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Plan a fun-filled day. A physical challenge will motivate you to designate more time for fitness, health and that special someone. Romance is in the stars.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Concentrate on domestic matters. Make changes that bring you closer to your loved ones. Share your wisdom and learn from others.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Let experience be your guide when dealing with personal matters and important relationships. Recognize if something isn't right and make changes to counter negativity and bad influences. Choose love over discord.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Deception is apparent. Don't believe unverified information. When in doubt, go directly to the source. Talk matters through to find solutions. Don't let outsiders interfere in your personal life.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Keeping busy will ward off anxiety and the possibility of getting into a senseless fight. Don't overreact when something doesn't go your way – find a physical outlet to ease stress.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Delve into something you enjoy doing. Avoid a clash with someone close to you. Go on a learning spree that will open your mind and clear your head.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) If you want something, go after it wholeheartedly. Maintaining a jovial attitude, showing interest in what others do and making personal adjustments that boost your ego are encouraged. Focus on romance.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Look for unusual ways to improve your home environment. Invest more time and money into something that will make your life easier. Don't let someone younger or older bring you down.

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LEGALS

CITY OF BENTON HARBOR ORDINANCE NOTICE

I, Kimberly Thompson, City Clerk of the City of Benton Harbor, Michigan, certify that on July 20, 2020, the Benton Harbor City Commission approved an Adult Use Ordinance (Recreational) to authorize the operation of and provide regulations for marihuana establishments in the City of Benton Harbor. Subsequent to the adoption of the ordinance on July 22, 2020, the Benton Harbor City Commission approved an amendment to it. A full copy of the ordinance is available for review in the City Clerk's Office at 200 E. Wall Street, Benton Harbor, MI 49022, Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and the city's website, www.bhcity.us.

Kimberly Thompson
July 24, 2020

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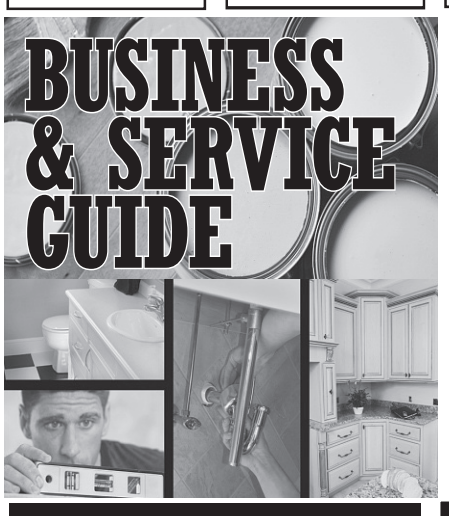

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Crossword Answers C5

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ACROSS
1 Take pieces from?
7 Applaud
11 Practice fighting
15 Likely to evoke an "Eww!"
19 Big fan
20 Sword handle
21 Andrew Jackson carried one with a sword in it
22 Not just eat
23 Marie Curie has two of them
24 Tiny bit
25 Juan's "yesterday"
26 Grandson of Eve
27 Spirited style
28 Disney film set in Polynesia
30 Amphetamines, e.g.
32 Petit four purveyor
35 West Coast ZIP starter
36 Wore (away)
37 Econ. indicator
39 Alcohol type
40 Braided Jewish bread
42 Julia Louis-Dreyfus' eleven
44 Deutsche darling
46 Lab dish eponym
47 It was inspired by Sunshine Hydrox cookies
48 Not quite circular
49 Dangerous snake
51 Hebrew winter month
53 Finishes
56 Ill will
59 Something you don't see everyday
61 Derby favorite, say
63 Black-and-white
65 Get some rays
66 Neighbor of Mex.
67 Rehab symptoms, briefly
70 Where Tennyson's "light brigade" charged
71 Noble Brit
73 Cloud site
74 Very long time
75 Gift-wrapping aid
76 Asset in a crisis
79 Trite saying
81 Happened to
82 Use just one water ski
86 Hamlet's first option
87 Letter abbr.
89 1986 U.S. Open champ Raymond __
91 Over with
92 Dupes
94 Organic fertilizer
96 Domestic platforms
99 Not at all glossy
101 Actor Douglas and quarterback Cousins
102 Snowboarder White
103 Cigar discard
104 Latin lover's assertion
105 Horse color
107 Playground game with a rope and a pole
110 Wallabies and wombats
113 Bread source
114 Not much
117 Soft cheese
118 Notice
119 Sushi seaweed
120 Ready to play
122 Over again
123 Silhouetted road sign animal
124 Soon, long ago
125 Succumbs to static
126 Impertinence
127 Span. miss
128 Warp
129 Becomes aware of

DOWN
1 Jutland native
2 False god
3 Tearjerker's quality?
4 Large venue
5 Brother, e.g.: Abbr.
6 Title assassin in a 2005 Pitt-Jolie film
7 Mysterious foliage-sprouting proclivity?
8 Model train giant
9 Vow locale
10 Org. concerned with students
11 Vocal improv
12 Remit with goatskin?
13 Persistent weakness
14 Show again
15 Notion
16 Vehicle for transporting bark spice?
17 Difficult to solve
18 Words of assent
29 Rapper Ice Cube's first name
30 Senator's place
31 Lascivious look
33 Gumshoe
34 Spanish airline
37 Seize, slangily
38 Met celebrity
41 Donkey song?
43 Come across
45 Radar screen spot
46 Sheet material
47 Greek victim of the Furies
50 Glen cousin
52 Shame
54 Writing __
55 Legal suspension
57 Desert plants
58 Online stock transactions
60 Moving memoir subject?
62 Nordic toast
64 Get ready to eat?
65 Western hero noted for his thoughtfulness?
67 Card balance, say
68 Matador's opponent
69 Tales of social climbers?
72 Move, in some ads
77 Gush
78 Pops, to baby
80 Essence
81 Short-term memory?
83 Farmers market baked goods?
84 Change for a five
85 Netting
88 Ceramic dog, maybe?
90 "The Wreck of the Mary __"
93 Quechua is one of its official languages
95 Trading places: Abbr.
97 Text entries named for their traditional red color
98 Genetic letters
99 African snakes
100 Historic Nile excavation site
101 Roll or emperor
102 2000s Israeli leader Ariel
106 Slanted columns
108 Steak named for its shape
109 Virgil's language
111 Stitches up
112 Heavenly harp
115 Kansas-born playwright
116 Hardy's "Pure Woman Faithfully Presented"
119 Pick up
121 Phillies' div.

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SODUS TOWNSHIP

TO: Sodus Township Residents and Interested Parties:

Notice of Planning Commission Special Meeting Request from the Marathon Corporation and Speedway LLC regarding Special Land Use / Sign Variance / Site Plan for new Speedway Filling Store both Commercial Trucking and the General Public.

Please take notice that the Sodus Township Planning Commission will hold a special meeting August 10 2020 at 7:00 PM at the Sodus Township Hall, 4056 King Drive, in said Township to consider the following Land Use permit & Variance permit and site plan.

A Special Land Use Permit, pursuant to Zoning Ordinance section 10.04 (6), Site Plan Review 21.07.B (1) and 21.09, Parking Lot Signage 19.07 & 19.08 (3)

Legal Description: 11-19-0005-0022-11-1 & 11-19-6000-0010-01-7 more commonly known as 2699 M-139 Hwy. Cosmo Extended Stay & 11-19-6000-0009-00-1, more commonly known as 2657 M-139 Hwy. Marathon Petroleum Company.

PLEASE BE NOTIFIED that you are invited to attend this hearing, to give comments and ask questions concerning the subject of this hearing. If you are unable to attend this hearing, you may send a letter, to be received no later than August 10th 2020. Please take further Notice that the tentative text of the above may be examined prior to the date of the hearing during normal business hours at the Sodus Township Hall, 4056 King Drive in said Township, Michigan.

If any resident has a physical disability as defined in the American's Disabilities Act, which may limit his or her participation in this meeting, please notify the Sodus Township Hall at least (7) days prior to the hearing so that reasonable accomodations may be made.

(Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Sodus Township Hall by writing, or calling the following: Sodus Township 4056 King Drive, Sodus, Michigan 49126 or call 269-926-6285 during normal Business Hours.
July 14, 2020

Fred Leitz Jr Chairman/Sodus Township Planning Commission

NOTICE OF REGISTRATION
Lincoln Charter Township, Michigan
For August 4, 2020 STATE PRIMARY ELECTION

To the qualified electors of Lincoln Charter Township:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that any qualified elector of Lincoln Charter Township, who is not already registered, may register to vote at the office of the Township Clerk; the office of the County Clerk; a Secretary of State branch office, or other designated state agency. Registration forms may be obtained at the Township Clerk's Office or at mi.gov/vote and mailed to their City/Township Clerk. Voters who are already registered may update their registration with their local clerk or at www.expressSOS.com.

Notice is hereby given that a State Primary Election will be held in Lincoln Charter Township on **Tuesday, August 4, 2020**, for the purpose of the representatives for U.S. Congress, State Representatives, County Offices and Local Offices and to elect Precinct Delegates.

The following Township Proposals will be voted on:

Police Operating Millage
For support of Township Police Department Operating
1.5 mills ($1.50 per each $1,000 of taxable valuation)

Fire Operating Millage
For support for Township Fire Department Operating
.50 of one mill (.50 cents per each $1,000 of taxable valuation)

Fire Capital Asset Renewal
For continued Fire Department Assets
.175 of one mill (.175 cents per each $1,000 of taxable valuation)

Full text of the ballot proposals may be obtained at the Township Clerk's Office, 2055 W. John Beers Rd, Stevensville, MI 49128, telephone 269.429.1589, ext 108.

The last day to register in any manner other than in-person with the local clerk is **Monday, July 20, 2020.**
After this date, anyone who qualifies as an elector may register to vote in person with proof of residency (MCL168.492) at Lincoln Charter Township Hall, Reg hrs. 9:00am – 5:00 pm Mon-Fri. ext hours Sat. Aug 1 7:00 am -3:00 pm, Election Day Tues., Aug 4 7:00 am -8:00 pm.

Persons with special needs as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act should contact the Clerk's Office.

Stacy Loar-Porter, Lincoln Charter Township Clerk

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The City of St. Joseph is accepting resumes for the position of Building Inspector, working under the supervision of the Inspection Dept. Administrator. Applicants shall be familiar with reviewing construction plans and specifications for permit issuance, inspections of new and existing structures, City ordinances, State requirements and approved plans.

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Minimum of four (4) years of responsible experience in general building construction, a schooled Journeyman carpenter, skilled worker, construction management, building inspector, or a combination of aforementioned.

State of Michigan registered Building Inspector and Plan Reviewer is desired, or the ability to obtain within 6 months of date of hire. ICC certification as a Building Inspector and Plan Reviewer desired.

Please submit your resume to the City of St. Joseph, Personnel Department, 700 Broad Street, St. Joseph, MI 49085 or to lmoore@sjcity.com. Application and full job description is also available online at www.sjcity.com. Deadline is Friday, August 14, 2020.

BENTON CHARTER TOWNSHIP
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
PLANNING COMMISSION

TO: **Property owners of Benton Charter Township**, Berrien County, Michigan, and other interested parties.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Benton Charter Township Planning Commission, Berrien County Michigan, will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, August 10, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.
located at the Benton Charter Township Hall, 1725 Territorial Road, Benton Harbor, MI 49022,
to consider the following actions:

1. Don Dettman, managing ownership member, is requesting re-zoning of property DKL&T LLC owns on Enterprise Way from D-2 Professional office (with overlay zoning) to A-2 single family residential. Identified as Property ID#: 11-03-0007-0017-21-0 (public hearing).

2. Paula Camp and Mary Connors, of 920 N Shore (2.43A), are seeking special use permit approval to produce sparkling apple cider at their A- 2 single-family zoned property under State of Michigan Department of Agriculture certification and LARA license (Property ID#: 11-03-0212- 0010-06-1) (public hearing).

PLEASE BE NOTIFIED that you are invited to attend the hearing and present your opinions or position relative to the subject of this hearing. If you are unable to attend the hearing, you may send a letter stating your opinions or positions to the Planning Commission, Benton Charter Township, 1725 Territorial Road, Benton Harbor, MI 49022, Attention: Zoning Administrator.
NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that the applications and supporting documents are available for public inspection at the Township Hall during normal business hours Monday thru Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
If you are of need of handicapped access to this hearing, be advised you needs are provided for. If you wish special assistance, please contact us prior to the hearing.
Chris Fuchs
Building Official and Zoning Administrator
DATED: July 25, 2020 PUBLISHED: July 25, 2020

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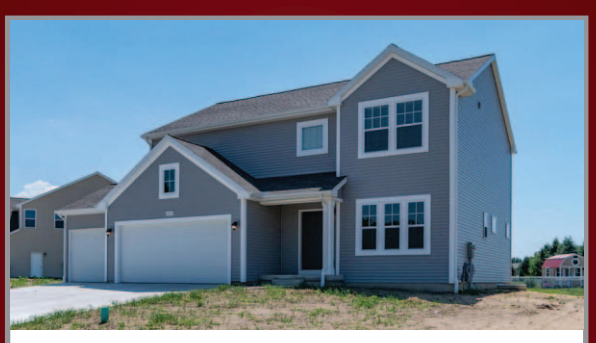
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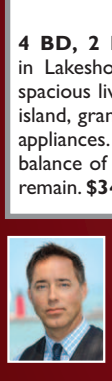
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MSRP	$46,155
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MILITARY CONSUMER CASH*	- 500

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REBATE	- 1,000
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COMMERCIAL BONUS CASH*	- 1,000
PROMASTER CONQUEST BONUS CASH*	- 750
SALE PRICE FOR EVERYONE	$29,995
CONQUEST LEASE CASH*	- 500
MILITARY CONSUMER CASH*	- 500

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SIEMANS DISCOUNT	- 6,480
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RAM HD ENGINE BONUS CASH	- 2,000
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SALE PRICE FOR EVERYONE	$61,995
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SIEMANS DISCOUNT	- 4,940
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FORD RETAIL BONUS CASH	- 250
FORD CREDIT RETAIL BONUS CASH*	- 750
FORD SPECIAL PACKAGE RETAIL BONUS CASH	- 750
FORD BONUS CASH	- 1,500
FORD SELECT INVENTORY RETAIL CUSTOMER CASH	- 750

SALE PRICE* **$37,495**

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FORD SELECT INVENTORY RETAIL CUSTOMER CASH	- 750
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FORD CREDIT RETAIL BONUS CASH*	- 750
FORD BONUS CASH	- 1,250
FORD F-SERIES RETAIL CASH	- 2,000
FORD SELECT INVENTORY RETAIL CASH	- 750
FORD SPECIAL PACKAGE RETAIL CASH	- 1,000

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SIEMANS DISCOUNT	- 3,221
FORD CREDIT RETAIL BONUS CASH*	- 750
FORD F-SERIES RETAIL CUTOMER CASH	- 1,000
FORD SELECT INVENTORY RETAIL CUSTOMER CASH	- 750
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That's not normal

Andy Steinke

It's that wonderful time of the year when farm stands pepper the landscape of Southwest Michigan. My wife frequented one of them this week to buy a dozen ears of corn for dinner.

As I was picking silks out of the kernels, I was reminded that corn is not a meal.

Let me explain. When I was a kid, my dad would plant rows and rows of Peaches and Cream corn in the garden. It was a sweet variety, and the ears always seemed to come on at the same time.

So, not to be wasteful, we would sometimes eat corn for dinner. That's it. Just dozens of ears of corn.

When we were dating, my now-wife informed me that's not something families normally do. That got me thinking, what other things don't normal people do?

Doesn't everyone have designated left and right socks? It's normal to enjoy meat and jam together, right? Who doesn't hang all their shirts facing the same direction?

No, just me?

I guess the definition of "normal" has changed this year, so who knows maybe I'm not as weird as I used to be.

I don't normally work from home for four straight months. I don't normally have weed-free flower beds. I don't normally go a month and a half on a tank of gas. But I do now.

Normal can change in the blink of an eye. Just as quickly as we were ordered to stay at home, we could be told it's OK to "return to normal."

The question is, when the COVID-19 pandemic has finally died down, as confirmed cases dwindle and a vaccine is finally readied, what do we want normal to be?

The pandemic has disrupted our "normal" routines, but that's not necessarily a bad thing. It's birthed business innovation, accelerated students' technological knowledge and made us all more aware of what's most important in our lives.

It has given us the unique opportunity to wipe the slate clean and redefine what we want normal to be.

When everyone can return to work, do we really need to? When instruction resumes, does it need to be five days a week inside a school building? When all businesses reopen fully to the public, which ones will we deem essential to us? When the next election rolls around in August or November, will we take the time to vote for those who we think will help us achieve our new normal?

There are certain things about the pandemic that I've enjoyed: I've had more time with my kids. I've been able to write more often. I've knocked quite a few projects off my to-do list. And I've been able to work on some background projects at work that I haven't had time for in the past.

Whatever the coming weeks and months bring, I encourage you to evaluate how your life has changed these past few months and decide for yourself what you think our "new normal" should look like in Southwest Michigan.

I hope it includes a lot of corn.

Andy Steinke is features editor at The Herald-Palladium. Email him your visions of the "new normal" at asteinke@TheHP.com. Follow him on Twitter @Decoding Dadhood.

Gruss wins top Michigan 4-H award

By ALEXANDRA NEWMAN
HP Staff Writer

GRUSS

BENTON HARBOR — Morgan Gruss credits 4-H with helping her become the person she is today.

So it was only fitting that she was recently selected as the winner of the 2020 Michigan 4-H State Award in the Senior division for Visual, Performing and Expressive Arts.

"It took a lot of work, but hearing that I won was like, all this hard work paid off," Gruss, 18, said in a recent phone interview.

A 4-H State Award is the highest honor bestowed on Michigan 4-H'ers.

Gruss, a member of the Countrysiders 4-H Club, won for a Victorian-style copper tin punch she created.

"Tin punch is my main craft," Gruss said. "You pick a piece of tin, pick a design, then punch holes in it to create the image."

But being selected for the state award took more than a craft project. The Michigan 4-H State Awards Program is an opportunity for 4-H members to receive recognition while developing their leadership skills and personal portfolio.

To enter, Gruss had to submit an application that included a cover letter, resume, 4-H story, and questions that highlight the life skills, project content knowledge, leadership development and civic engagement experiences she gained through her 4-H projects.

There was even a socially distant interview portion of the competition. This year, 64 youth representing 25 counties applied for a 4-H State Award.

Gruss said 4-H has taught her many skills, including leadership, responsibility, problem solving and organization.

She plans to incorporate these skills into her future career in medicine. Her goal is to become a part of Doctors Without Borders and be able to travel while practicing medicine.

Gruss, a Benton Harbor resident, is a 2020 graduate of Coloma High School and will finish up the fifth-year program at Lake Michigan College this fall.

Throughout her 11 years in 4-H, Gruss has served as treasurer and president for her club. Her favorite memories of 4-H include going to 4-H Exploration Days, the county fair and making new friends.

To learn more about Michigan 4-H or Berrien County 4-H, contact the Berrien County Michigan State University Extension Office at 927-5674.

Contact: anewman@TheHP.com, 932-0357, Twitter: @HPANewman

Marcio Jose Sanchez / Marcio Jose Sanchez

A sign reads "Cancel Plans Not Humanity" on April 14 in Los Angeles. Murals with themes centered around the coronavirus have been popping up on the walls of businesses in the California city. California Gov. Gavin Newsom on Tuesday unveiled an outline for what it will take to lift coronavirus restrictions in the nation's most populous state, asking more questions than answering them as he seeks to temper the expectations of a restless, isolating public.

Just wait 'til next year

Some giving up on 2020, and looking toward 2021

By SOPHIA ROSENBAUM
Associated Press

Tyger Williams / The Philadelphia Inquirer / AP

Kerry Anne Perkins and Michael Gordon came out to the crowd during a protest June 6, in Philadelphia over the death of George Floyd. The couple realized amid the pandemic they would have to cancel their wedding but wound up having a microwedding. As they did their first look, a massive Black Lives Matter demonstration arrived at Philadelphia's Logan Square. Photos of the couple holding hands, fists raised, with thousands of people surrounding them went viral.

NEW YORK — This was supposed to be the year of the comeback for Boysie Dikobe, a South African dancer recovering from his second hip replacement and gearing up to get back on stage when the coronavirus hit.

Dikobe, a 29-year-old dancer who performs with a traveling drag ballet troupe that tours globally, says his first thought was: "2020 is canceled."

It's barely halfway over, and Dikobe is part of a global choir wishing for 2020 to end.

No Olympics, no awards shows, no weddings, no summer camp, no graduations. Nothing to look forward to except a new Netflix show or your newfound love of regrowing scallions and baking bread.

Now it's all about 2021 – the year when everything, and maybe nothing, happens.

The COVID-19 pandemic has brought tectonic change to almost every part of life – how we live, where we live, where we work, what we do for work, what it means to be a kid, what family means, what is important.

There was a months-long moment where the world was on pause, causing many to dig into existential questions: What is my purpose? Where do I belong?

That's what Dikobe found himself doing as he quarantined in his small New York apartment contemplating his future – both personal and professional. Would he ever perform on stage again, or would he have to retire before an opportunity arrived?

The more he considered it, the more he found himself thinking: "2020 is not canceled, actually. It's an awakening."

Leslie Dwight, a 23-year-old writer, wondered the same thing in a poem she wrote that was endlessly shared on social media about a week after the May 25 death of George Floyd at the hands of Minneapolis police.

"2020 isn't canceled, but rather, the most important year of them all," she wrote.

But why do we even say things like "2020 is canceled" and "New year, new me"?

Experts who study human behavior say the human desire to pin failures, hopes and dreams on a period of time like a calendar year has primitive roots connected to our attachment to routine.

"Because we missed our spring, summer isn't really summer because it only comes after a complete spring," says Stuart Patterson, chairperson of the Shimer Great Books School at North Central College. "The only opportunity to reset is next spring. Everything else we're doing this year is going to be drained of significance because they don't have the proper sequence."

It's like when Hamlet declares that "time is out of joint," Patterson says.

How do we measure a year – a question about the passage of time that has a whole song devoted to it in the Broadway musical "Rent"? With seasons, milestones, rituals, events. So when a year is stripped of all of those moments, people feel lost and put hope in the future to manage expectations, psychologists and social scientists say.

Every calendar year brings a cycle of hope. January is when we'll finally commit to our diet, quit smoking, become the person we always wanted to be. We believe in the power of change and promise ourselves: "This is our year," as one reveler proclaimed just after the ball dropped in Times Square.

Some people admit defeat by January's end, while other ambitions continue for a few more months. In April, many start focusing on summer. By November, most have thrown in the towel, vowing that the upcoming year is actually their year.

But that hope never fully dies out. It just gets recalibrated and refocused on a new target and soars again.

"Hope," the poet Emily Dickinson wrote, "is the thing with feathers."

If not for hope, why would data show that most of the 6,253 respondents to a recent WeddingWire survey have postponed their planned 2020 nuptials to next year, but only 7 percent have canceled their wedding?

Weddings are different from holidays in that, for many, it is an event that only happens once. Thus an even greater emphasis on making it special.

See **WAIT**, page D2

Gift giving can complicate Medicaid eligibility

Q: Why is it illegal to give my grandchild some money for their graduation to help pay for college if I want to apply for Medicaid? I thought you could make a gift of $15,000 a year without any penalty?

A: Medicaid eligibility can be complicated, especially when an individual has had adequate financial means all their life but now is facing the cost of long-term care.

Sara Duris
Generations

It's not illegal to give monetary gifts. However, depending on the circumstances, it might make someone ineligible for Medicaid for a time.

The Medicaid rules provide that a person can be disqualified for giving away property. When someone applies for Medicaid, they must disclose any such actions involving gifting of money or property.

The state will "look back" at least five years to investigate if any assets have been given away, the action known as divestment. Transfers of property or money, including sales for less than market value made during the look-back period may cause a divestment penalty period.

During the penalty period, Medicaid won't pay for long-term care in the home or a long-term care facility, even if the applicant has no money. It depends on what is given away, to whom, and when.

In terms of being able to make a gift of up to $15,000, that's a rule under federal gift tax law, which refers to how much per year a person may give to another without liability for gift tax. The gift tax has nothing to do with Medicaid.

Many people then ask, does this mean one cannot make any gifts five years before going into a nursing home? Who can anticipate when that might happen? What about birthdays, holidays, weddings and graduations? Medicaid rules make no exception for such gifts.

If, for example, you were to give your grandchild $1,000 for college, knowing you are in the process of, or about to apply for Medicaid, it would be viewed as divestment. However, if you give someone a $1,000 gift for graduation or a birthday, and a year later have a stroke and have to go into a nursing home, this may or may not be considered divestment.

These sorts of cases might require a formal appeal hearing before the application is approved. It's always best to consult an elder law attorney who specializes in Medicaid law when facing decisions about financial resources and applying for Medicaid.

Q: Are you turning 65 years old and are new to Medicare this year?

A: It can be daunting to consider Medicare options, especially with all those letters and the terminology. Let Region IV Area Agency on Aging and MMAP

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WEDDINGS

Koch Killberg

Quinna Koch and Colin Killberg were married July 11, 2020, in Stevensville. The Rev. Wayne Shevey officiated.

The bride is the daughter of David and Elizabeth Koch of Stevensville. The groom is the son of Steven Killberg and Lisa Gourdoux of Racine, Wis.

The bride is attending Wisconsin Lutheran College, and is a certified nursing assistant for Spectrum Health Lakeland.

The groom is a full-time student at Wisconsin Lutheran College.

PETS OF THE WEEK

Lilly (a tortoiseshell), Leo and Lexi (a calico) are 4-year-old siblings. Adopted from Paws of Hope as kittens, their owner unexpectedly died. These sweet, loving cats are shy due to this tragedy, and will need time to adjust. They are spayed / neutered, current on shots and negative for feline leukemia and feline immunodeficiency virus. To give one, two or all three a new forever home, contact Paws of Hope at 340-0272 or paws4ever2012@gmail.com.

WAIT

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Like millions of other couples planning to get married this summer, Kerry Anne Perkins and Michael Gordon were devastated as March slouched into April. They realized they would have to cancel their dream wedding on Memorial Day weekend, which marked five years since the Philadelphia couple first met.

"Every day felt heavier and heavier and heavier," Perkins recalls, saying she had frequent breakdowns and couldn't bring herself to officially cancel the wedding.

They wound up having a microwedding on June 6. As they did their first look, a massive Black Lives Matter demonstration arrived at Philadelphia's Logan Square. Photos of the couple holding hands, fists raised, with thousands of people surrounding them, went viral.

"We were really just a symbol of the things the world needs more of, especially in 2020," Perkins says. "There's a pandemic and all of the changes and the things that we're hearing and seeing, people need hope. People need love. And people need unity."

While Gordon says he knows they were lucky, he has advice for others planning milestones: Take a breath, think about what's really important and find the special.

"In my mind, it has to get better," Perkins says. "I'm hopeful. I think 2021 is going to be a year of rebirth."

Deborah Serani, a psychologist in the New York City area, said hope has disappointed many this year but will help us endure the pandemic and thrive.

"Hope," she says, "requires us to look at the present situation and regard it for what it is, and plan for its betterment."

No one knows what 2021 will bring. Nobody knows what the "new normal" will look like. Will there be wedding ceremonies featuring every person a couple has ever met, packed stadiums, concert venues with thousands of people crooning the same tune? Will the now-2021 Summer Olympics happen? Will awards shows be back? Will we even care?

There are no clear answers. But there is hope.

ATTENTION: COUPLES

The Herald-Palladium publishes news for engagements, weddings and anniversaries on Saturdays.

With engagements and weddings, one of the couple must be a resident or former resident of the area to have the announcement published. Couples celebrating anniversaries also must be residents or former residents.

Forms are available online at www.TheHP.com/site/forms and in our office, 3450 Hollywood Road, St. Joseph. Information submitted will be used as space permits.

Engagements

Engagement stories and pictures are published only if they are received more than 30 days before the wedding date. Stories are published with a picture of the couple.

Weddings

Wedding stories and pictures will be published if received within six months after the wedding date. Wedding stories are published with a picture of the couple.

Anniversaries

Brief stories with one picture will be published for couples celebrating anniversaries of 25 years and every five years thereafter through 45 years. More complete stories and two photos will be published of couples celebrating 50 years and every five years thereafter.

Stories about couples celebrating 50th, 55th, 60th, 65th or 70th anniversaries may be accompanied by a current photo (no more than five years old) and an original wedding photo.

Anniversary stories will be published if received within six months after the anniversary date. Publication dates cannot be guaranteed.

Photos

Photographs for the Couples page may be published in color for $15. There is no charge for photographs published in black and white.

Return of pictures cannot be guaranteed. An attempt will be made to return pictures accompanied by a self-addressed stamped envelope. Pictures not returned by mail can be picked up at The Herald-Palladium office.

Need more help? Call 429-2400, ext. 295.

New wedding venue to host open house

By HP STAFF

BENTON HARBOR — A wedding venue that plans to open its doors in June will host an open house from 2-5 p.m. Sunday.

Sunrise Farms Wedding Venue, 1310 Hillandale Road, was once a multi-generational fruit farm, according to a news release. Now, the 13-acre property surrounded by farmland will serve as an event venue.

The property includes a three-story barn from the late 1800s, the oldest surviving log cabin in Michigan, according to the release, and a 1928 farmhouse built by the House of David.

The venue is the latest venture by the owners of St. Joseph's South Cliff Inn, Brandy and Wilfredo Jaquez. They will be joined by Tara Kelley, who will operate the property.

The venue's large barn, where receptions will take place, has a rustic interior that is finished with whimsical details and lighting.

Wedding ceremonies can be held in one of two outdoor locations: the Jakway log cabin, which was built around 1835, or on the deck of the brick farmhouse.

There is also a landscaped pond, a water wheel and a large windmill on the property.

For more information, or to tour the property, visit www.sunrisefarmsvenue.com, email info@sunrisefarmsvenue.com or call 769-4821.

Photos provided

The 1928 farmhouse at Sunrise Farms Wedding Venue was built by the House of David.

The large barn at Sunrise Farms Wedding Venue in Benton Township will be used to host receptions.

VOLUNTEERS

Help feed the hungry

Fresh, healthy food tends to have a short shelf life. To make sure it gets distributed as quickly as possible, Feeding America West Michigan developed the mobile food pantry.

Mobile pantries are like farmers markets on wheels, delivering a variety of fresh fruits, vegetables, dairy products and baked goods to people in need, often on the same day the food is donated.

Volunteers help distribute food, carry heavier groceries for people who need help, and give a smile to those who are experiencing food insecurity.

For upcoming mobile food pantry dates and locations, visit www.feedwm.org.

To volunteer, visit volunteer.uwsm.org.

Military Hero Care Network

The American Red Cross Hero Care Network provides critical services to military members, veterans and their families all over the world.

The American Red Cross of Southwest Michigan is looking for volunteers to help with tasks such as sending emergency communications for deployed service members, communicating with families of newly enlisted service members, and referring veterans and their families to local programs.

Training will be provided, and volunteers can work remotely.

For more information, or to sign up, visit volunteer.uwsm.org.

Health screeners needed

The Berrien County Health Department needs support as it brings back services. The department has implemented a staff and client health screening upon entry, and needs volunteers to help manage the check-in station at the main entrance of its Benton Harbor and Niles offices.

The station also provides face coverings/masks to those who arrive without one.

United Way of Southwest Michigan

The Herald-Palladium, in conjunction with the United Way of Southwest Michigan, publishes volunteer opportunities every Saturday.

To view all current listings, please visit United Way of Southwest Michigan's volunteer page at **uwsm.org/volunteer.**

This is a no-contact position. Volunteers can maintain appropriate social distancing from others and personal protective equipment will be provided by the department.

For more information, or to sign up, visit volunteer.uwsm.org.

Health care heroes

PACE of Southwest Michigan is looking for medically trained volunteers to help support their staff and clients. PACE is looking for a volunteer nurse and nursing assistant.

The nurse will provide direct and indirect nursing care to participants in the PACE Center and in the community. The nursing assistant will perform participant care activities and other tasks as assigned to assist the primary care, therapy and adult day health staff.

For more information, or to sign up, visit volunteer.uwsm.org.

Face masks for front-line workers

In partnership with the Emergency Operations Center, United Way of Southwest Michigan is collecting homemade face masks to distribute to front-line workers and volunteers at area agencies and organizations.

Agencies such as homeless shelters, Meals on Wheels, and many others are still working with their clients every day. They need masks to help protect their staffs, volunteers and clients.

There are no longer set drop-off locations and times. United Way will accept donations by appointment only. If you have donations, contact Amanda Drew at 982-4038 or amanda.drew@uwsm.org.

Help ease worry

Meals on Wheels of Southwest Michigan is working with area seniors to fill many needs during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Meals on Wheels is seeking donation of hygiene items that can be included in deliveries to seniors. Those items include full-size shampoo, full-size toothpaste, toothbrush, and notes of encouragement and cheer.

For more information, visit volunteer.uwsm.org.

Turn compassion into action

American Red Cross of Southwest Michigan is looking for volunteers for several opportunities, such as a Disaster Action Team members, who provide 24-hour emergency response to local disasters, ensuring that those affected have access to resources for basic necessities such as food, shelter and clothing.

The American Red Cross also is looking for blood drive volunteers in Berrien and Cass counties.

For more information, or to sign up, visit volunteer.uwsm.org.

Make a difference for a child

A court-appointed special advocate (CASA) volunteer advocates in the community and courtroom for the best interests of foster children in Berrien County.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, all work is being conducted remotely, including training.

Volunteers must be at least 21 and pass a background check.

For more information, or to sign up, visit volunteer.uwsm.org.

Use your skills to help

Caring Circle is seeking a detail-oriented volunteer who can attend inter-disciplinary team meetings with Hospice staff and type real-time notes on the group's discussions directly into electronic medical record software.

Good keyboarding skills are essential as well as the ability to succinctly summarize discussion notes in real time. This opportunity would be great for a student interested in gaining experience in the medical office field, or for someone retired from a similar field.

Training and orientation will be provided on specific procedures, and a brief test will be required before training begins.

Transcription is needed in St. Joseph, Buchanan and South Haven.

For more information, or to sign up, visit volunteer.uwsm.org.

Senior center needs helping hands

The Greater Niles Senior Center is seeking volunteers to help beautify the senior center and to install a plexiglass barrier.

The senior center provides services and activities for independent seniors, and needs help so it can be focused on helping seniors.

For more information, visit volunteer.uwsm.org.

Operation COVID Cheer

Meals on Wheels of Southwest Michigan and the Greater Niles Senior Center are asking for people to make and send cards to senior citizens.

Be creative and help cheer up someone who is lonely and potentially scared.

For more information, or to sign up, visit volunteer.uwsm.org.

United Way of Southwest Michigan mobilizes the caring power of communities to fight for the health, education and financial stability of every person. Volunteering your time and talent to create lasting solutions that improve life for everyone is an important part in United Way accomplishing this work. Volunteer today and join the fight, by visiting www.uwsm.org.

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GENERATIONS

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(Michigan Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program) help with our free virtual "New-to-Medicare" class from 1-3 p.m. Aug. 25.

You will learn: the difference between original Medicare and Advantage Plans; when it's the best time to enroll and when you can make changes to your coverage; if you qualify for valuable premium savings programs; and how to protect yourself from Medicare fraud.

Individuals have seven months to make Medicare choices: three months before turning 65, their birth month and the three months after turning 65. Let us help with unbiased health care information at no cost to you.

For more information, contact our MMAP regional coordinator at 408-4354.

Sara Duris is community information liaison of Region IV Area Agency on Aging in Southwest Michigan. Questions on age or independence services? Call the Info-Line for Aging & Disability at 800-654-2810 or visit www.areaagencyonaging.org. The Generations column appears each Saturday in The Herald-Palladium.

Bondage and the pandemic

Debra Basham
Insights

The winter snow has departed, and deciduous trees have once again filled the sky with leaves. Morels and wildflowers of spring have come and gone, but how did it get to be July?

I ask a similar question when I realize I'm soon going to be married to a great-grandfather!

The days/daze of the COVID-19 pandemic have left a mark on all of us.

Friends have died from COVID-19, and new babies are joining our family. Have you given thought to how our very view of the world is being irrevocably rearranged?

Some navigate a complex present, others worry about an uncertain future, but on some level, we all are rolling up our sleeves and helping to build a new world.

It's important to be aware of this – perhaps especially in July – within which there's a holiday called Independence Day.

So many beings have been wronged through the course of human history due to skin color, culture, sexual preference, gender or because of beliefs and ideas. Each of these forms of bondage must be seen for what they are, and this certainly is a time for reflection, redirection and independence for all.

We must each liberate ourselves from more subtle forms of bondage.

Jiddu Krishnamurti said, "We never read the book which is ourselves. We are the history of mankind."

Transformation is said to occur only when *none* of the following are present: Desire to change the experience, judgment, analysis, justification, grasping, selfing, resisting, believing that "I am witnessing."

A friend recently caught herself joining others in an act of "gossiping." My friend almost instantly judged her action and felt remorse –enough so that she mentioned her experience to me the following day.

Although what the person being gossiped about could (maybe even typically would) be seen as (judged as) unwholesome, so could that of the person gossiping. When she joined in with the gossip, her behavior was unwholesome, too.

Habitual patterns of subtle bondage inhibit transformation. In mindfulness exists opportunity – an active moment.

The opportunity for my friend was awareness to see simply that a habitual pattern of judgment had revealed itself, first in the behavior of the person being gossiped about, and then in her own behavior.

When my friend felt that wave of remorse about gossiping, she had an opportunity (active moment) in which to not judge – not the other person or herself.

Notice how each of the elements of transformation dissolve in awareness. In awareness there's no desire to change the experience, no further judgment, no analysis, no justification, no grasping, no selfing, no resisting, and no believing that she is/was witnessing.

We get free by setting others free. That is true liberation.

Another friend was on her bike at a traffic light when she noticed a man stop in the middle of the street. She saw him take out his cellphone and realized he may well have been taking a photo of her. (She is a remarkably physically attractive woman.) She felt violated and shared this experience with her meditation/study group later in the day.

The teacher said the woman could simply have spoken to the man, "I am not sure, but if you were taking a photo of me without permission that is unacceptable. If you did, delete it now."

Then the teacher asked her, "Have you ever seen a flower that was so beautiful you took a photo to remember its beauty?"

The woman said she had.

The teacher paused briefly before continuing, "Did you ask the flower's permission?"

In her awareness, she was no longer able to justify having taken a photo of something beautiful by judging the flower as inanimate. Awareness brings reverence and respect for everyone and everything.

The Bible cautions against judging, lest ye be judged. So then what can we do?

We can invite awareness to call out old habit patterns of behavior that inhibit our personal and collective transformation. We can embrace our humanness and invite others to do the same. We can demonstrate mindfulness. We can allow wisdom and compassion to replace grasping and resisting.

We can be truly committed to the release from bondage of all sentient beings and can say in unison, "Never again. Never again in human history and then never again in the history of the universe."

Riding bikes in our area during this pandemic, we see many people planting flowers, painting, clearing clutter, weeding and transforming homes and yards. We are grateful to see this, but even more grateful to see that this time of pandemic is certainly inviting our inner transformation, too.

How are you accepting this invitation?

Today's Insights was written by the Rev. Debra Basham, author of "Stories of My Heart." Insights is written by area clergy to give different viewpoints on a variety of topics. It is published each Saturday in cooperation with the Berrien County Association of Churches. The views expressed by the author do not necessarily reflect the views of member churches.

HOUSE OF THE WEEK

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Clean lines and large windows deliver modern style to this contemporary design. See more images online at www.ePlans.com / collection / house-of-the-week.

Stunning exterior

This open concept layout gives you a spacious vibe and plenty of room for outdoor living. The master suite resides on the main level and boasts a walk-in closet, dual sinks, soaking tub and shower.

Two additional bedrooms and a bathroom are located on the second level. A study/loft space can be used in a variety of ways.

To build this home, order a complete set of construction documents by calling 866-228-0193 or visit www.ePlans.com/collection/house-of-the-week. Enter the design number to locate the plan and view more images and details.

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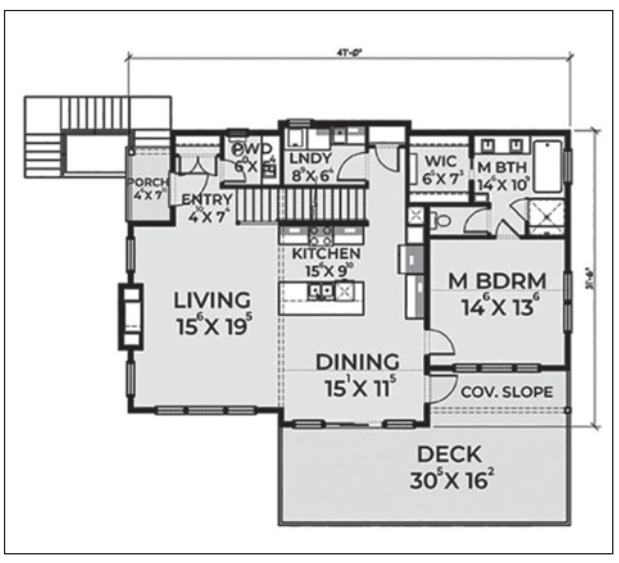

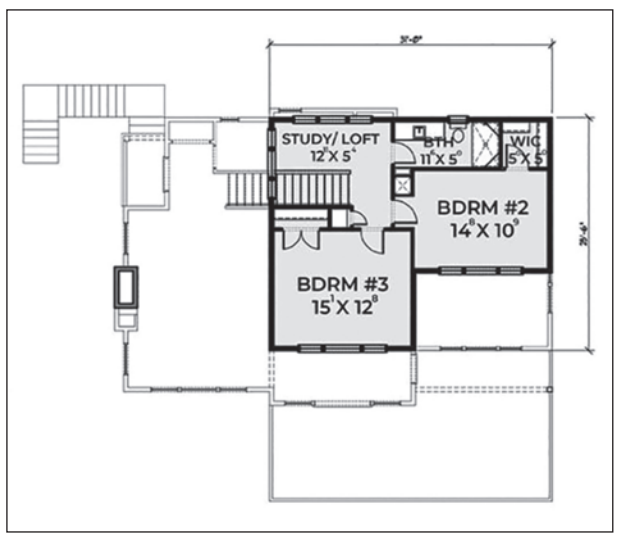

More Information

Design number: 1070-45
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2 ½
Square footage: 2,586
Dimensions: 48-feet by 43-feet
Framing: 2-by-6

CHURCH NOTES

Progressive Missionary Baptist Church, 245 Pipestone St., Benton Harbor, will celebrate its 74th anniversary at 10:45 a.m. Sunday. All members, former members and friends are invited to attend. Social distancing and face masks are requested. The Rev. Lee Taylor will be one of the special guests. Pastor James O. Childs will preach, and Taylor Watson will dance.

St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, 9193 Cleveland Ave., Baroda, has returned to in-person worship services at 9 a.m. Sundays.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 2673 W. John Beers Road, Stevensville, has returned to in-person services with precautions in place. The church now has four weekly services: 8, 9:30 and 11 a.m. Sundays, and 6:30 p.m. Mondays. It will continue to livestream services on its Facebook and YouTube pages at 9:30 a.m. Sundays. For more info, visit www.stpaulswels.org.

Zion St. Joe United Church of Christ, 3001 Veronica Drive, St. Joseph, will have an outdoor service at 9 a.m. Sunday, weather permitting. Attendees are asked to bring a chair. Another service, on Facebook, will start at 10 a.m.

The Shore Church, 623 Church St., St. Joseph, has returned to in-person worship at 10:30 a.m. Sundays. For more info, call 208-3844.

Peace Lutheran Church, 3590 Lincoln Ave., St. Joseph, has returned to in-person worship at 10:15 a.m. Sundays. See its complete COVID-19 policies online at www.peacelutheranstjoe.org. The church will continue to stream services on its Facebook and YouTube pages.

Overflow Church in Benton Township will host a virtual VBS at noon daily from Aug. 3-7 for children in preschool through fifth grade. After participants register, they will be sent a kit of art supplies for the week. For more info, visit www.kidsvirtualvbs.com.

Pilgrim Congregational United Church of Christ, 1200 W. Glenlord Road, St. Joseph, has returned to in-person worship at 11:10 a.m. Sundays. For more info, call 429-1985 or visit pilgrimstjoe.org.

Baroda Bible Church, 9058 Third St., Baroda, plans to hold VBS from 6-8:30 p.m. Monday-Friday. For more information, call 422-1731.

Church Notes is a free listing, published each Saturday. Announcements are due by noon Wednesday. Late items will not be published. The editor reserves the right to edit for space and style. Incomplete information may not be published. First and last names should be furnished. Pictures submitted should include names of those shown. Send items to: Church Notes, The Herald-Palladium, P.O. Box 128, St. Joseph, MI 49085; or email to focus@TheHP.com. Items should include a daytime telephone number.

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SPORTS BRIEFS

SH tabs Hagerty as boys hoops coach

South Haven High School has named Ryne Hagerty as its new boys basketball coach.

HAGERTY

Hagerty, a Wisconsin native, currently works as a physical education teacher in South Haven schools. Before being hired in South Haven, he taught and coached basketball in Arizona and Wisconsin.

Hagerty resides in South Haven with his wife Dia, also a teacher for South Haven, and their three children. He replaces Larry Ash, who resigned after the 2019-20 basketball season.

Lakeshore Jr. Golf Assoc. final set

The second day of the Lakeshore Junior Golf Association championship will be Monday at HawksHead Links near South Haven.

Half of its players this summer (39 of 78) qualified for the two-day championship. The first round was Tuesday at Lake Michigan Hills.

Tee times begin at 7 a.m. with the Junior Division, followed by the Collegiate Division, Boys 16-18, Boys 13-1, Girls 13-15 and Girls 16-18.

Top Gun QB Training camp set

The Top Gun Quarterback Training camp will be held Aug. 3-5 at the Rocket football facility at the Kohn Sports Complex south of Lakeshore High School.

Camp is limited to eight high school and 10 youth quarterbacks. The small camp size will help with social distancing, sanitation standards and disinfecting footballs.

Cost is $150 for grades 5-8 and $210 for grades 9-12. For more information or to register, contact Bill Reagan at 574-876-6349 or email reagan.8@nd.edu.

Entire MSU football team quarantined after positive tests

EAST LANSING (AP) — All members of the Michigan State football team will quarantine or isolate over the next 14 days after a student-athlete and a second staff member tested positive for COVID-19 on Thursday, the school announced Friday.

"The university has designated areas available to house individuals in quarantine as needed based upon the living arrangements for student-athletes," MSU said in a statement.

The measure was taken two days after Michigan State suspended workouts following the positive result of another staff member during weekend testing for COVID-19.

Surveillance testing, which was completed for all the players on Wednesday, will be repeated before a player is cleared to participate in workouts, the school said.

The Spartans were nearing the next phase of training set to begin Friday – a pair of 20-hour weeks filled with weightlifting sessions, walkthroughs and meetings.

— Detroit Free Press

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LMC announces new basketball coaches

By HP STAFF

Lake Michigan College has named new men's and women's head basketball coaches.

Former Aurora University assistant Rickey Hampton will lead the Red Hawks' men's team. Ray Kimball, whose career includes stints at both Grand Rapids and Lansing Community Colleges, has been named the Red Hawks' women's coach.

"We are very excited to bring both Rickey and Ray into our Red Hawk family," LMC Athletic Director Melissa Grau said in a news release. "Rickey's experience coaching at the four-year level will help our young men excel on the court and in the classroom. And Ray has several years of experience and great knowledge of the game to help keep our women's program on a successful path."

KIMBALL

HAMPTON

Hampton, a Saginaw native, spent last season as an assistant coach and head development coach at Aurora University in Aurora, Illinois. He spent the previous four seasons as an assistant coach and head junior varsity coach at Concordia University Chicago.

"I'm beyond excited to come back to my home state and work with these student-athletes to be the best versions of themselves not only on the court but off the court as well," Hampton said in a news release. "The Lake Michigan College community has a culture that puts students first, and I can't wait to be a part of that."

Hampton also coached at Grand Rapids Catholic Central, where his team won district titles in all four of his years there and played for a state title in 2012.

Additionally, he has coached AAU basketball with the Chicago Mustangs and Chicago Premier and coached with Down Under Sports in Brisbane, Australia.

Collegiately, Hampton played one year of basketball at Lane College in Jackson, Tennessee. He earned a bachelor's degree in sports management at Concordia Chicago in 2018.

Kimball brings more than 30 years of coaching experience with him to LMC, including stints at Central Michigan University, Lansing Community College and Grand Rapids Community College, where he was named Michigan Community College Athletic Association (MCCAA) Western Conference Coach of the Year following the 2015-2016 women's basketball season.

"I am excited and thankful for the opportunity to become the head women's basketball coach at Lake Michigan College," Kimball said in a news release. "I want to thank LMC Athletic Director Melissa Grau and the search committee for believing in me and affording me this opportunity."

Most recently, Kimball served as athletic director at Cocoa Beach High School in Florida, but he is perhaps best known in Michigan for his time at Portland High School, where he built a successful girls basketball programs.

During his tenure from 2004-2014, Kimball's Portland teams won nine league, six district and three regional titles and reached the Michigan High School Athletic Association semifinals in 2008 and 2010.

A complete showing

David Banks / AP

Chicago Cubs starting pitcher Kyle Hendricks throws the ball during the first inning against the Milwaukee Brewers during Friday's game.

Aaron Doster / AP

Detroit's' Jeimer Candelario fields the ball before throwing out Cincinnati's Eugenio Suarez in the third inning of Friday's game.

Hendricks throws three-hitter, Rizzo deals HR and sanitizer as Cubs win season opener

CHICAGO (AP) — Kyle Hendricks convinced new manager David Ross to let him finish a three-hitter, Anthony Rizzo homered and dished out hand sanitizer, and the Chicago Cubs started the season by beating the Milwaukee Brewers 3-0 on Friday night.

Ian Happ also had a two-run drive and Ross got his first victory as a big league manager as the Cubs opened this pandemic-shortened 60-game season without fans at Wrigley Field.

Showing off an improved curveball, Hendricks struck out nine and walked none in his first career opening-day start and fourth career shutout.

Orlando Arcia had each of Milwaukee's hits off Hendricks (1-0). After he singled with two out in the third for the Brewers' first baserunner, he accepted a splash of sanitizer from a smiling Rizzo at first and cleaned off his hands.

Ross came out to check on Hendricks with two out and a runner on first in the ninth. He decided to leave him in, and Keston Hiura bounced into a game-ending fielder's choice on Hendricks' 103rd pitch.

Milwaukee right-hander Brandon Woodruff allowed four hits in five innings in his first career opening-day start.

Woodruff's only rough patch occurred in the third, when Nico Hoerner singled with one out and Happ followed with a deep drive to center. Happ also homered on opening day in 2018.

Tigers fall in season opener to Reds, 7-1

CINCINNATI (AP) — Mike Moustakas drove in four runs in an emphatic first impression, teaming with fellow Cincinnati newcomers Shogo Akiyama and Nick Castellanos to turn the Reds' long-delayed opener into a 7-1 victory over the Detroit Tigers on Friday.

They combined to produce Cincinnati's first three runs, and Moustakas added a two-run homer as the Reds were off and running.

Akiyama, signed as a free agent after a stellar career in Japan, singled home a run in his first at-bat as a pinch hitter. Joey Votto added a solo homer.

Matthew Boyd (0-1) had trouble in his first opening start, immediately loading the bases on a walk, hit, and a hit batter. Up came Castellanos – a former Tiger – and he got plunked, too, getting his first RBI with the Reds without swinging the bat.

Thompson, Werenski share lead at 3M Open

BLAINE, Minn. (AP) — Michael Thompson and Richy Werenski maintained their momentum at the 3M Open.

Tony Finau, fresh off a caddie change, put himself in prime position right behind the leaders at the halfway point of the second-year tournament.

Thompson and Werenski topped the leaderboard at 12 under, Finau and Talor Gooch climbed within a stroke and stars Brooks Koepka and Tommy Fleetwood struggled again Friday at the TPC Twin Cities.

In warmer and windier conditions on the quiet, spectator-free course, the scores crept up after Werenski led the first-round pack with an 8-under 63. The 24-year-old followed up with a 67. Thompson caught him with a 66.

Koepka, at the other end of the board, was on the who's-who list of players to miss the cut. The four-time major champion shot a 71 to finish at 1 under, pulling a birdie putt attempt wide right on the 18th that would have extended his stay in Minnesota.

Fleetwood, playing in his first event since the virus outbreak shut down the sport more than four months ago, posted a 72 to finish at 1 over. Paul Casey had a second consecutive 72. Dustin Johnson withdrew after a back injury and a rough first round.

The exception was Finau, the only one of the five players in the top 30 of the latest world ranking whose performance matched his resume.

Gooch, another tour upstart seeking his first career victory, posted a 65 to match Finau at 131.

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The U18 St. Joseph Grizzlies recently won The Cadillac Summer Classic baseball tournament held in Cadillac, Michigan. The team finished the weekend 5-0, including a walk-off double in the bottom of the seventh inning by Joey Glinka to drive in the winning runs in the championship game. Front row, left: Jared Knowles, Bailey Rank, Drew Nesbitt, Nick Menke, Will Henry and Michael Tourney. Top row, left: Coach Eric Rank, Evan Dishler, Trey Beauchamp, Ryan Scouler, Blake Schadler, Luke Richards, Joey Glinka, coach Mike Menke and coach Blair Schadler.

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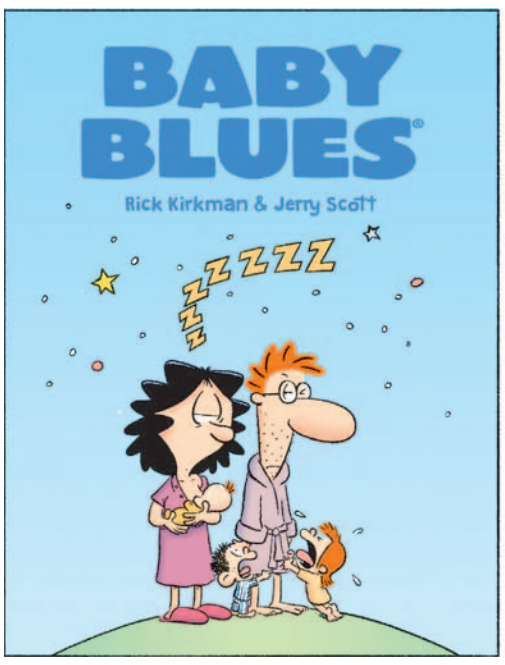

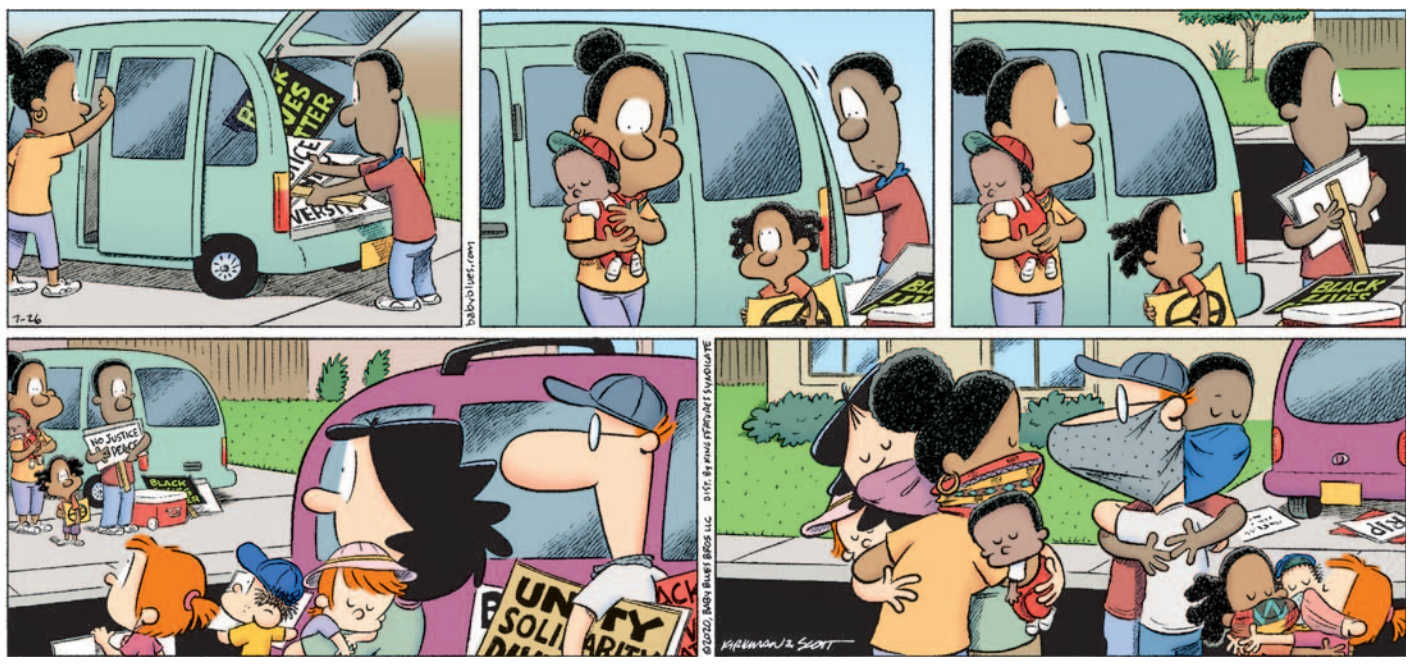

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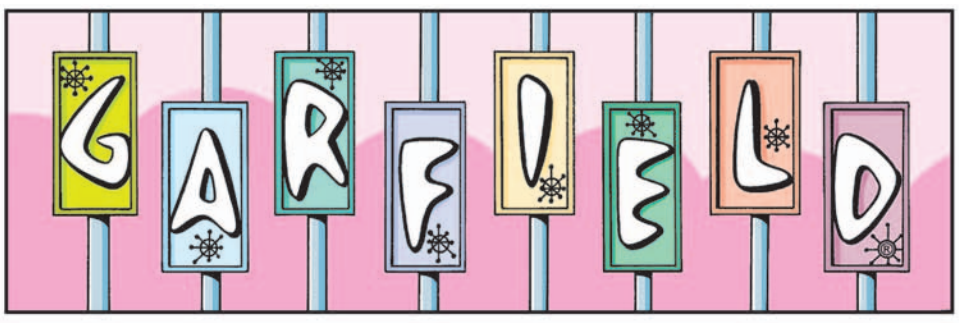
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STREAMING A TENNIS BALL
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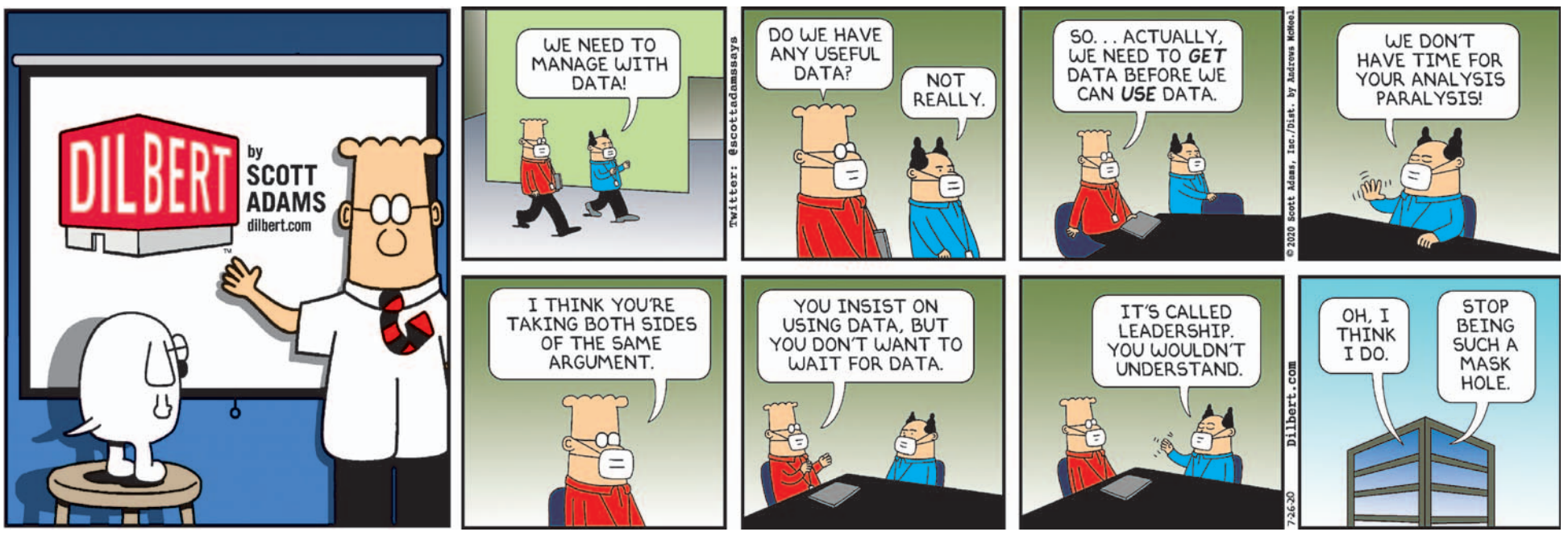
WE NEED TO MANAGE WITH DATA!
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DO WE HAVE ANY USEFUL DATA?
NOT REALLY.
SO. . . ACTUALLY, WE NEED TO GET DATA BEFORE WE CAN USE DATA.
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WE DON'T HAVE TIME FOR YOUR ANALYSIS PARALYSIS!
I THINK YOU'RE TAKING BOTH SIDES OF THE SAME ARGUMENT.
YOU INSIST ON USING DATA, BUT YOU DON'T WANT TO WAIT FOR DATA.
IT'S CALLED LEADERSHIP. YOU WOULDN'T UNDERSTAND.
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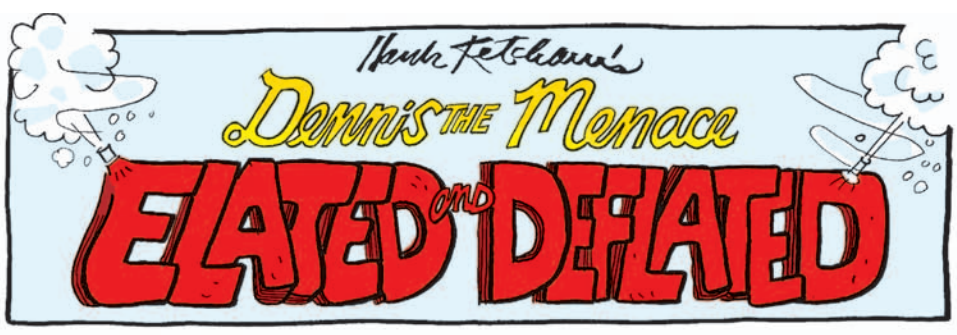
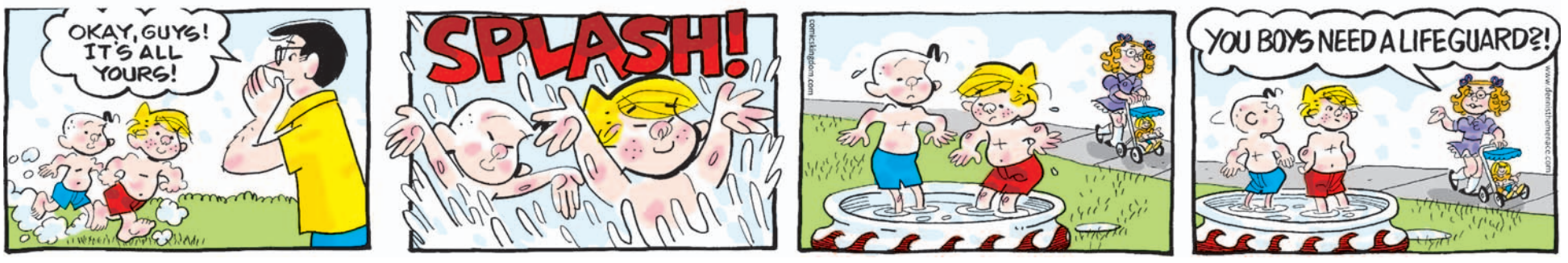
OH, I THINK I DO.
STOP BEING SUCH A MASK HOLE.

Dennis the Menace: Elated and Deflated

Hank Ketcham's





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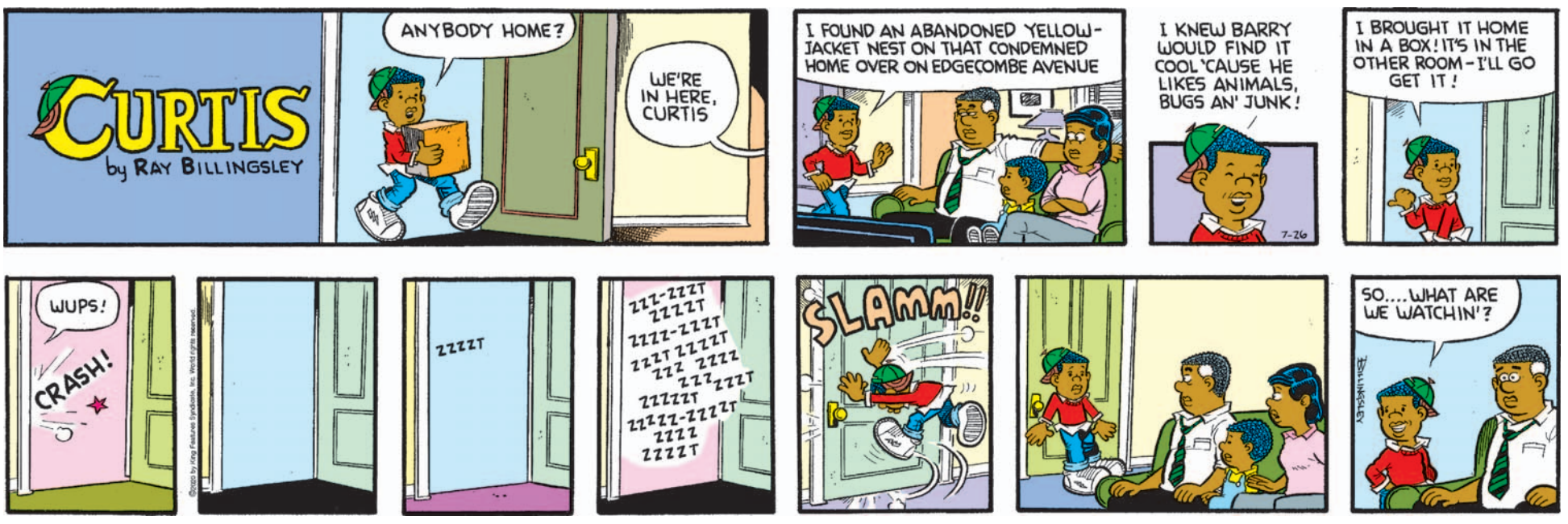
ANYBODY HOME?
WE'RE IN HERE, CURTIS
I FOUND AN ABANDONED YELLOW-JACKET NEST ON THAT CONDEMNED HOME OVER ON EDGECOMBE AVENUE
I KNEW BARRY WOULD FIND IT COOL 'CAUSE HE LIKES ANIMALS, BUGS AN' JUNK!
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I BROUGHT IT HOME IN A BOX! IT'S IN THE OTHER ROOM - I'LL GO GET IT!
WUPS!
CRASH!
ZZZZT
ZZZ-ZZZT ZZZZT ZZZZ-ZZZT ZZZT ZZZZT ZZZ ZZZZ ZZZ ZZZZT ZZZZZT ZZZZZ-ZZZZT ZZZZ ZZZZT
SLAMM!!
SO.... WHAT ARE WE WATCHIN'?
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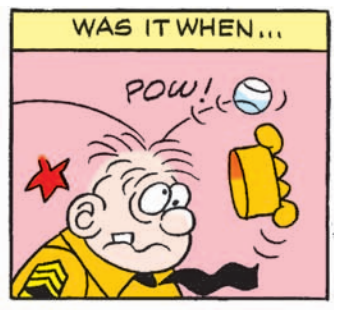
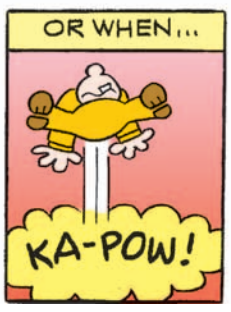
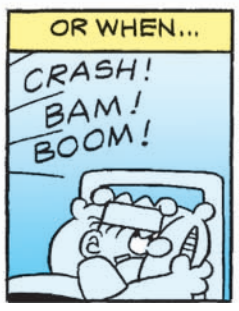
Mort Walker's beetle bailey®







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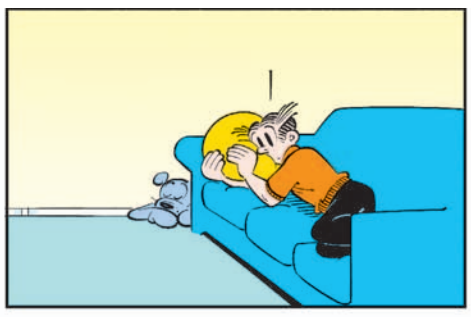

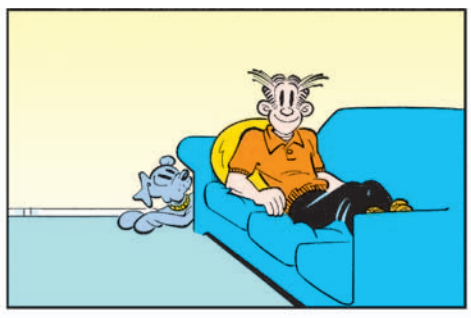

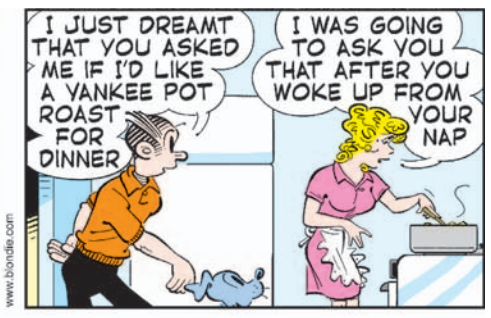
I JUST DREAMT THAT YOU ASKED ME IF I'D LIKE A YANKEE POT ROAST FOR DINNER
I WAS GOING TO ASK YOU THAT AFTER YOU WOKE UP FROM YOUR NAP
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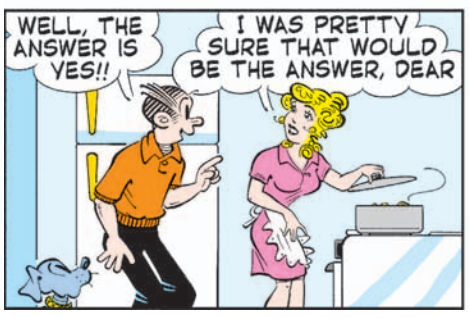

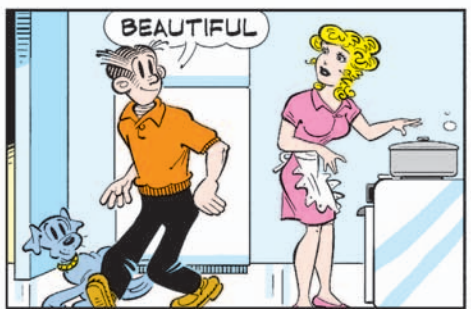

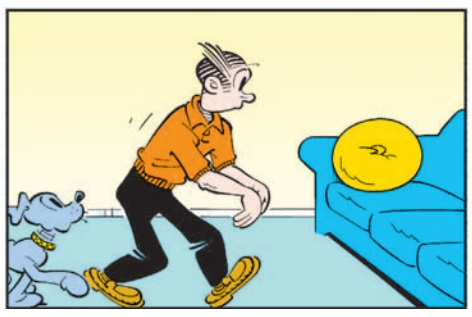

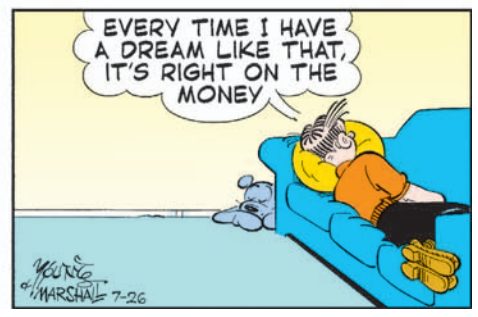

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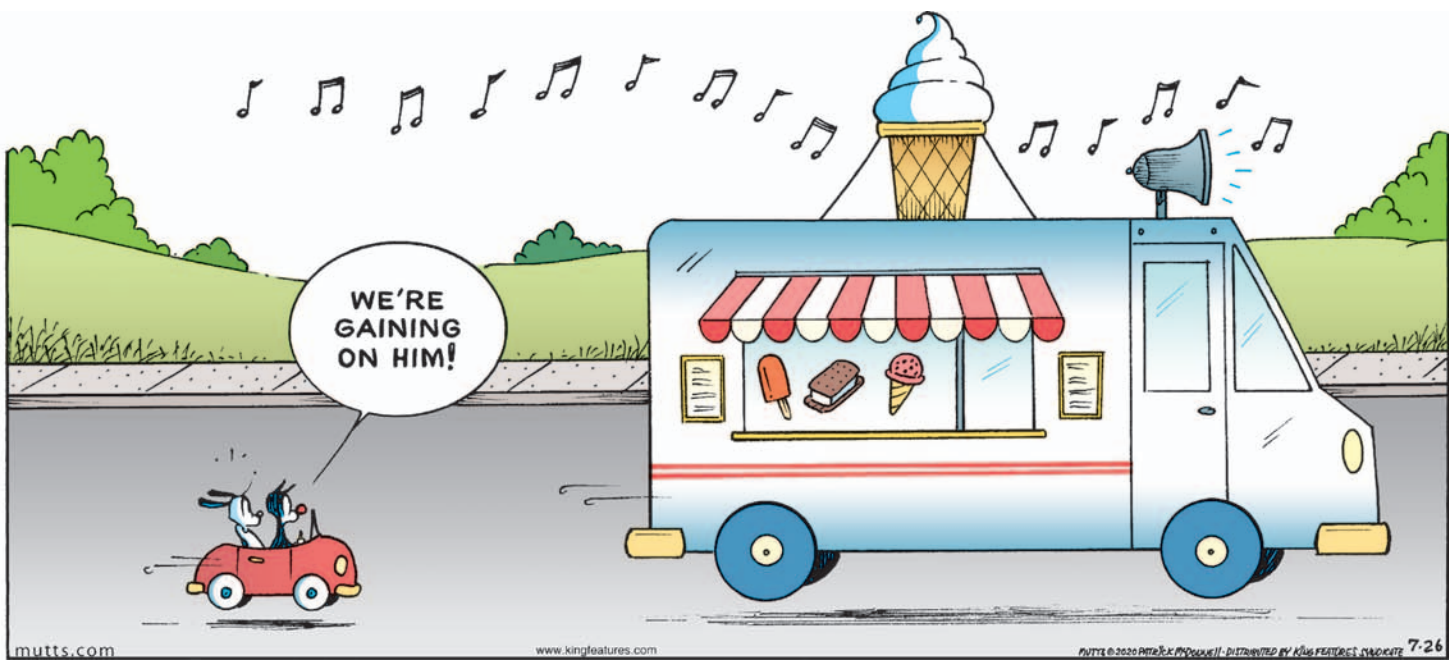

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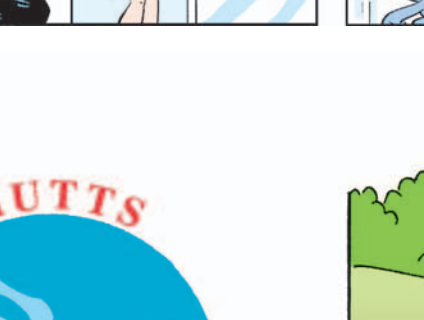

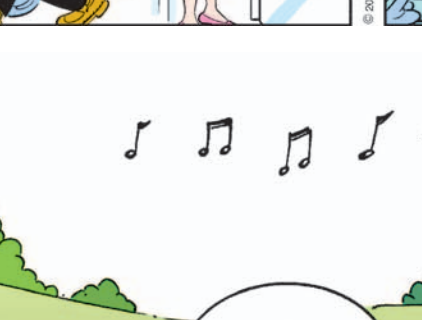

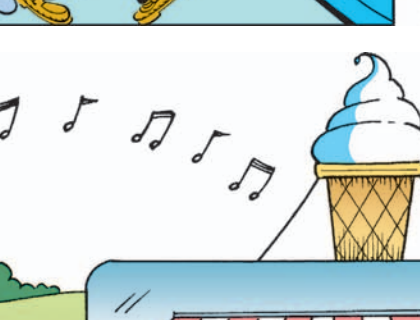

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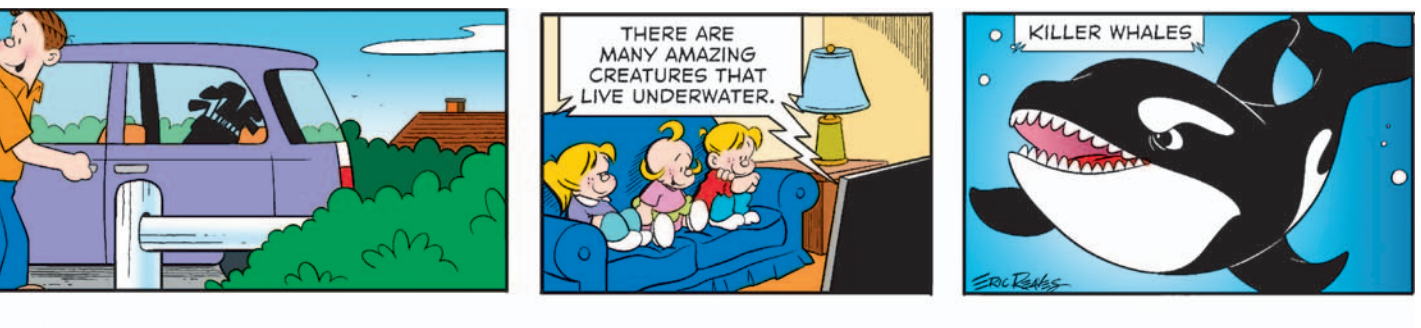
DO YOU THINK I'LL EVER BE A SUCCESS, DADDY?
SURE!
BUT REMEMBER, BILLY-- SUCCESS ISN'T A DESTINATION, IT'S A JOURNEY! YOU'LL FIND IT IN MANY THINGS ALL ALONG THE WAY.
IF YOU ONLY FOUND SUCCESS AT THE END OF THE ROAD IT'S TOO LATE-- THE JOURNEY'S OVER.
ENJOY ALL YOUR SUCCESSES-- RIGHT NOW, TODAY, TOMORROW...
YEA-A-AH! I LIKE IT!
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FUNKY WINKERBEAN

by TOM BATIUK

I STILL CAN'T BELIEVE THIS IS HAPPENING.
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YOUR ORDER WILL BE RIGHT OUT.
THANKS.
AND CUT!
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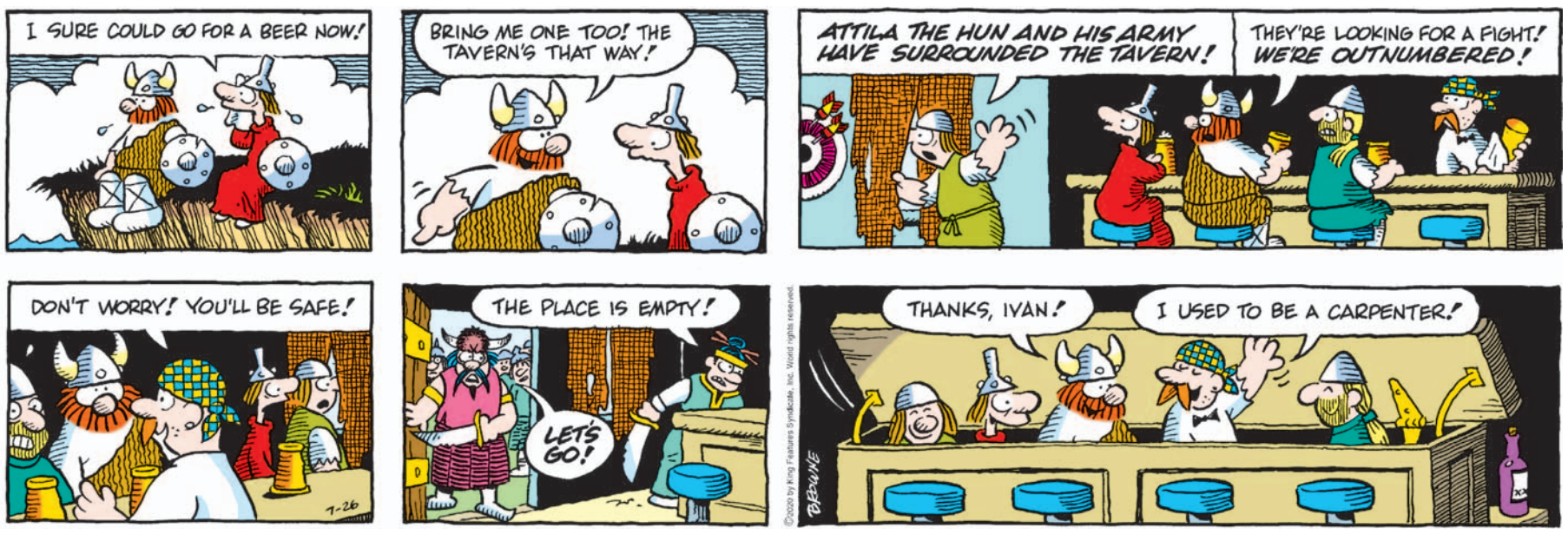
THAT WAS PERFECT!
THANKS! WHAT AN ADRENALINE RUSH!
MAYBE WE COULD ADD A FEW LINES FOR ME.
UM, NO... AND THAT'S A HARD 'NO'!
BATIUK & AYERS

HAGAR the horrible

by DIK BROWNE


I SURE COULD GO FOR A BEER NOW!
BRING ME ONE TOO! THE TAVERN'S THAT WAY!
ATTILA THE HUN AND HIS ARMY HAVE SURROUNDED THE TAVERN!
THEY'RE LOOKING FOR A FIGHT! WE'RE OUTNUMBERED!
DON'T WORRY! YOU'LL BE SAFE!
THE PLACE IS EMPTY!
LET'S GO!
THANKS, IVAN!
I USED TO BE A CARPENTER!
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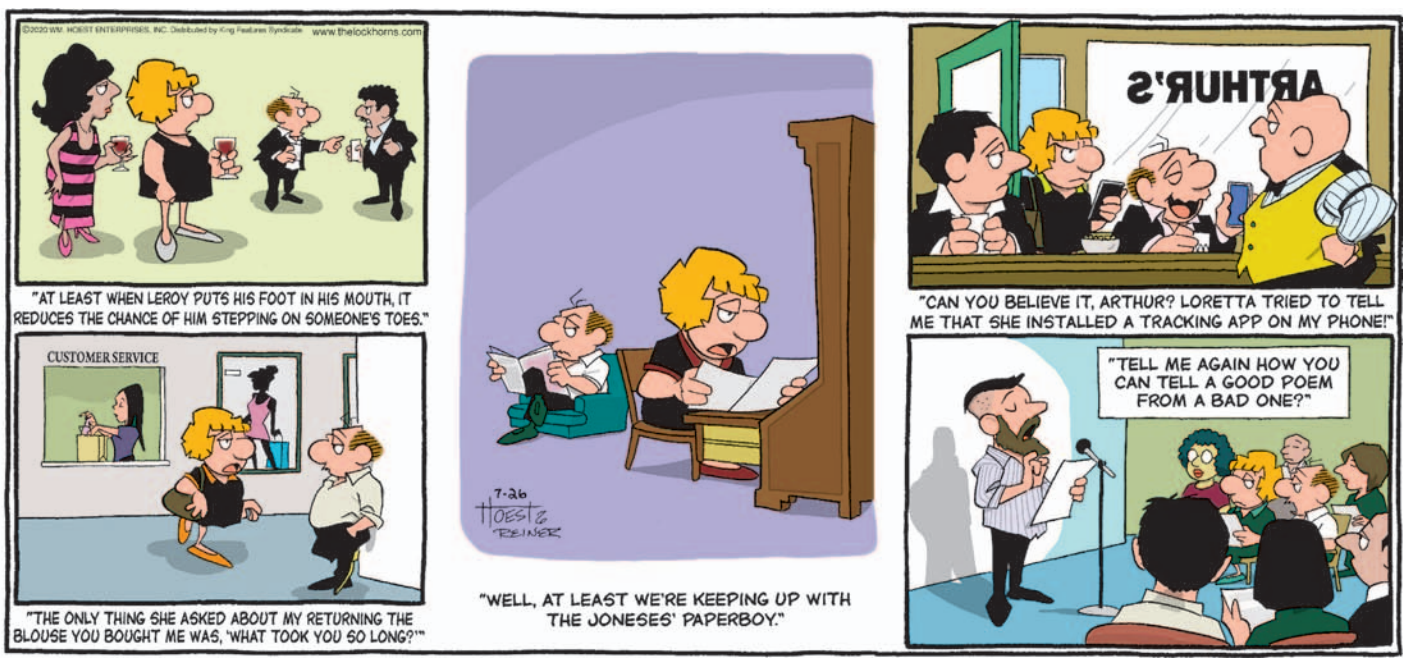
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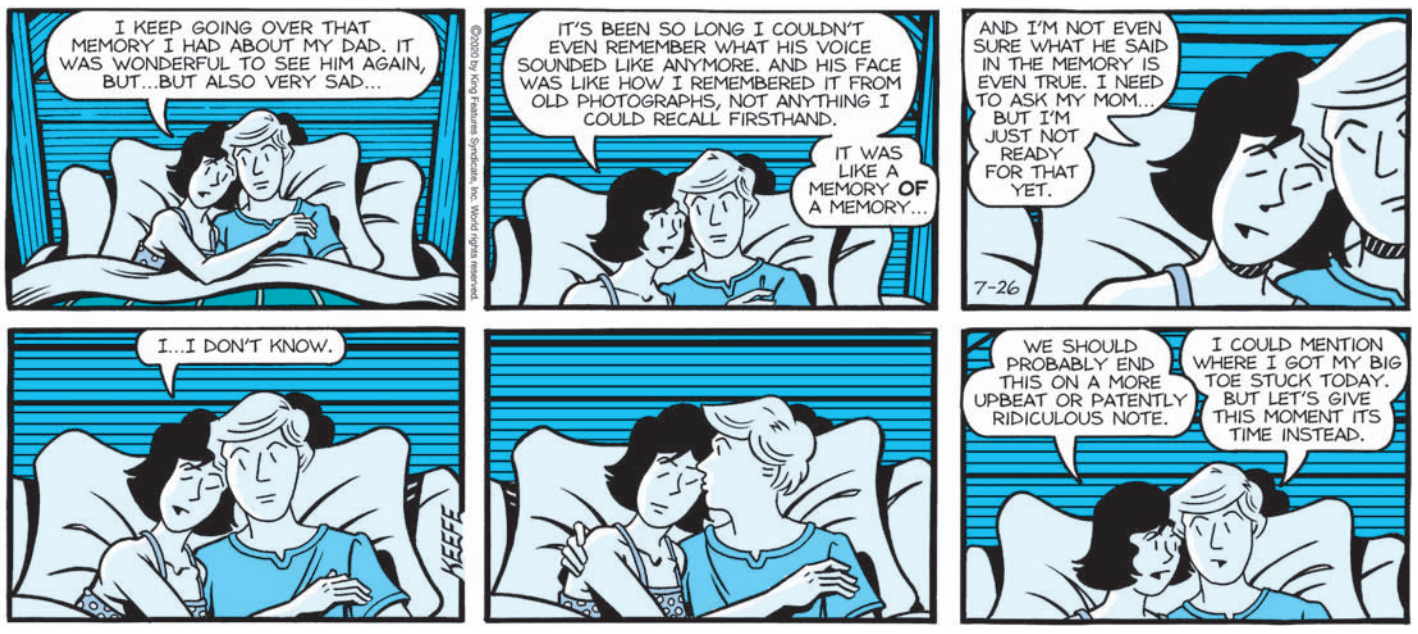
"AT LEAST WHEN LEROY PUTS HIS FOOT IN HIS MOUTH, IT REDUCES THE CHANCE OF HIM STEPPING ON SOMEONE'S TOES."
CUSTOMER SERVICE
"THE ONLY THING SHE ASKED ABOUT MY RETURNING THE BLOUSE YOU BOUGHT ME WAS, 'WHAT TOOK YOU SO LONG?'"
"WELL, AT LEAST WE'RE KEEPING UP WITH THE JONESES' PAPERBOY."
ARTHUR'S
"CAN YOU BELIEVE IT, ARTHUR? LORETTA TRIED TO TELL ME THAT SHE INSTALLED A TRACKING APP ON MY PHONE!"
"TELL ME AGAIN HOW YOU CAN TELL A GOOD POEM FROM A BAD ONE?"

SALLY FORTH

by Francesco Marciuliano


I KEEP GOING OVER THAT MEMORY I HAD ABOUT MY DAD. IT WAS WONDERFUL TO SEE HIM AGAIN, BUT...BUT ALSO VERY SAD...
IT'S BEEN SO LONG I COULDN'T EVEN REMEMBER WHAT HIS VOICE SOUNDED LIKE ANYMORE. AND HIS FACE WAS LIKE HOW I REMEMBERED IT FROM OLD PHOTOGRAPHS, NOT ANYTHING I COULD RECALL FIRSTHAND.
IT WAS LIKE A MEMORY OF A MEMORY...
AND I'M NOT EVEN SURE WHAT HE SAID IN THE MEMORY IS EVEN TRUE. I NEED TO ASK MY MOM... BUT I'M JUST NOT READY FOR THAT YET.
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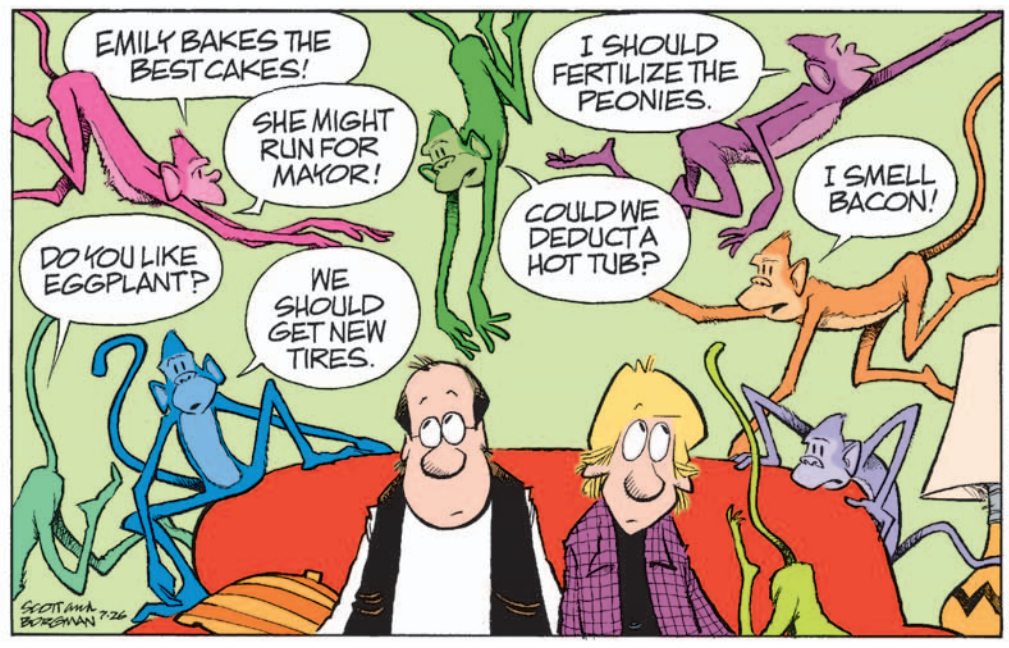
I...I DON'T KNOW.
KEEFE
WE SHOULD PROBABLY END THIS ON A MORE UPBEAT OR PATENTLY RIDICULOUS NOTE.
I COULD MENTION WHERE I GOT MY BIG TOE STUCK TODAY. BUT LET'S GIVE THIS MOMENT ITS TIME INSTEAD.

ZITS

by JERRY SCOTT and JIM BORGMAN


EMILY BAKES THE BEST CAKES!
SHE MIGHT RUN FOR MAYOR!
I SHOULD FERTILIZE THE PEONIES.
I SMELL BACON!
DO YOU LIKE EGGPLANT?
WE SHOULD GET NEW TIRES.
COULD WE DEDUCT A HOT TUB?
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MONKEY MIND?
I CALL THEM "MOM SEQUITURS."
I THINK BEIGE IS MY FAVORITE COLOR!
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FORT KNOX™

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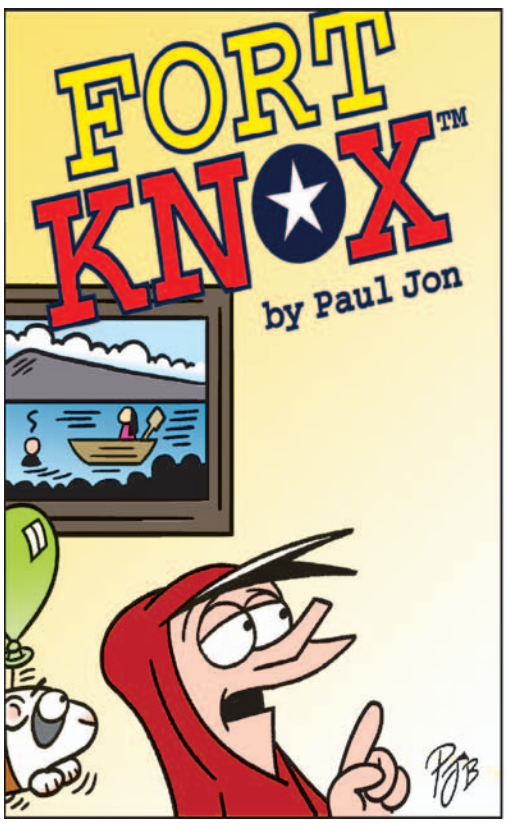
DONALD IS CHARGING ME RENT FOR THE TREEHOUSE.
RENT DEW
JUST LOOK AT THIS BILL I RECEIVED!
BUT DONALD DOESN'T OWN THE TREEHOUSE.
PAY UP
Mr. BILL
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WELL, HE DECLARED IT HIS PROPERTY YESTERDAY.
NO KIDDING?
PROP. OF WIFE
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YEAH AND I REFUSE TO PAY HIM!
RELAX - I HAVE AN EASY SOLUTION.
PAY LATER
ARE YOU GOING TO TAKE BACK THE TREEHOUSE?
NO...
TREE OF STRIFE
I'M GOING MOVE HIM INTO IT.
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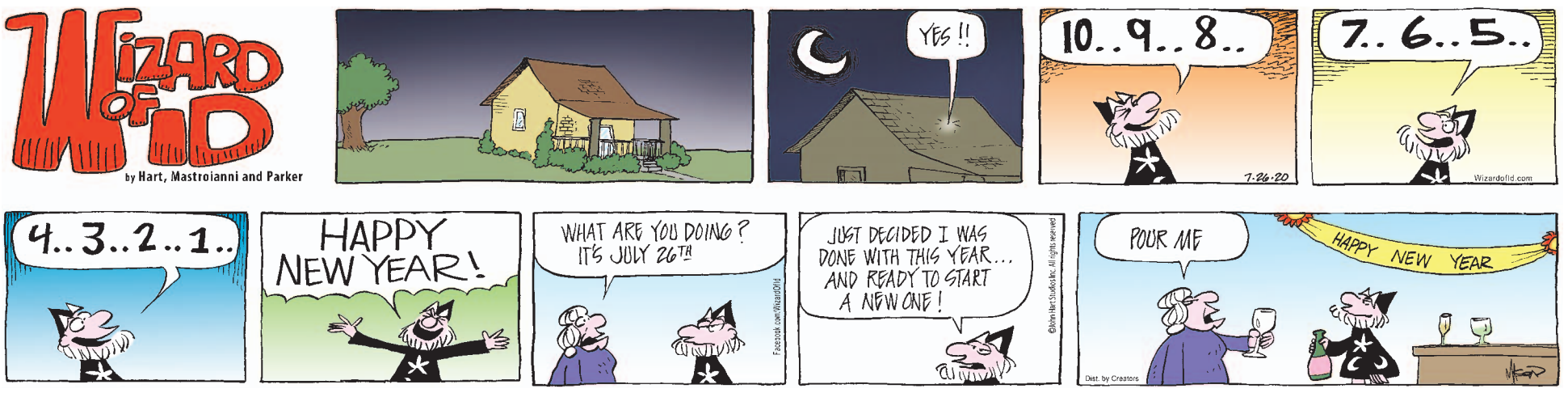

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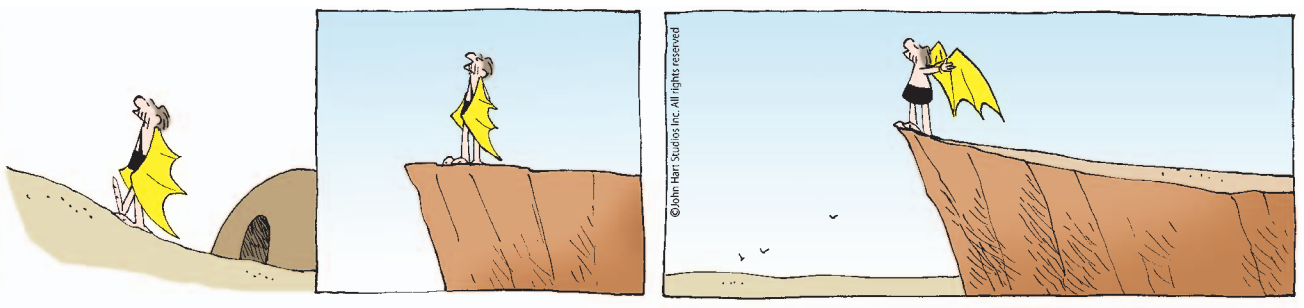

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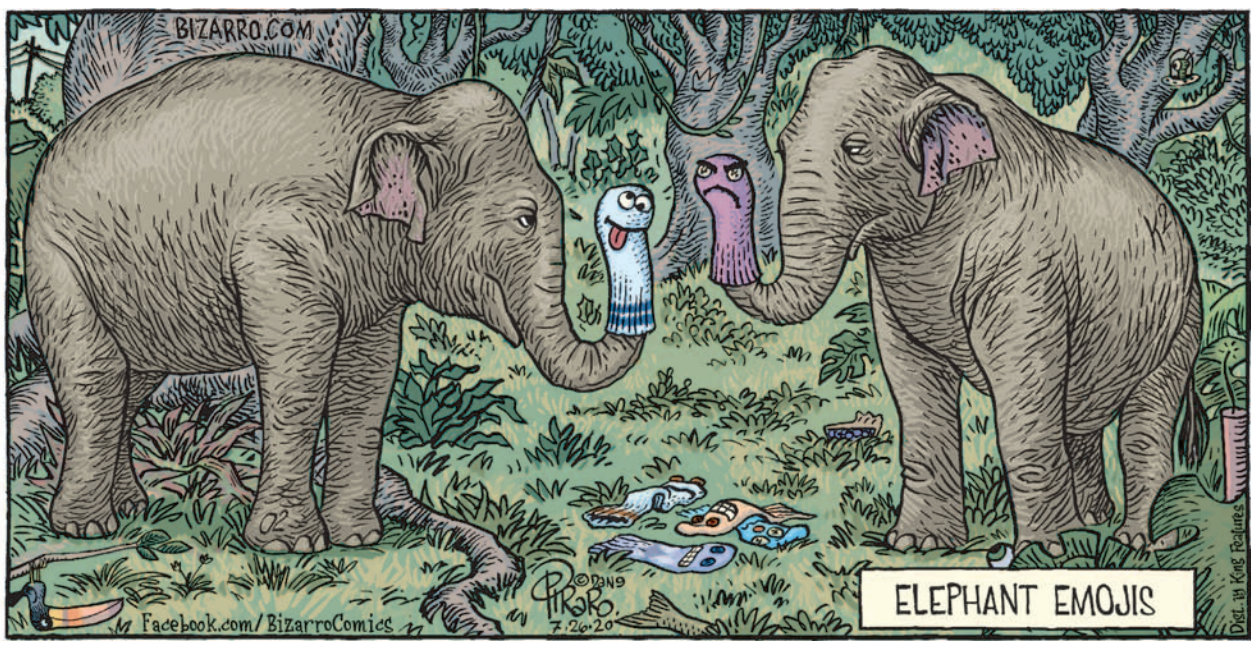

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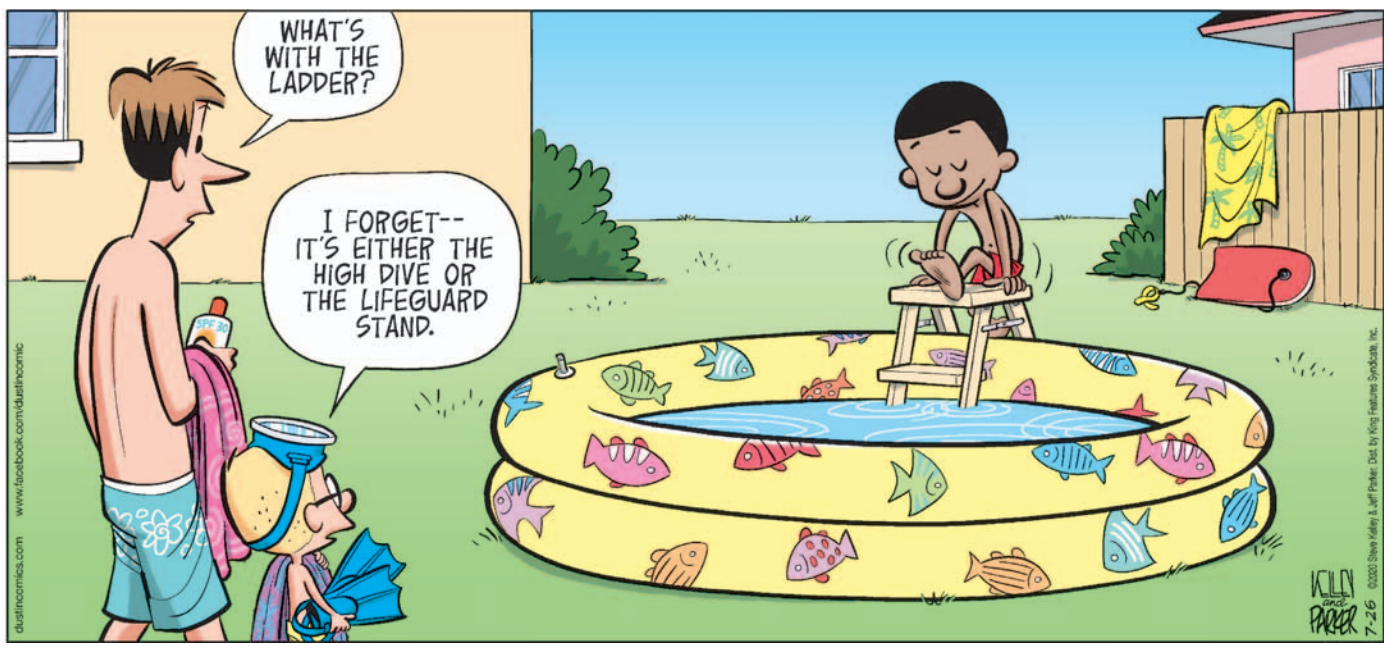

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PICKLES

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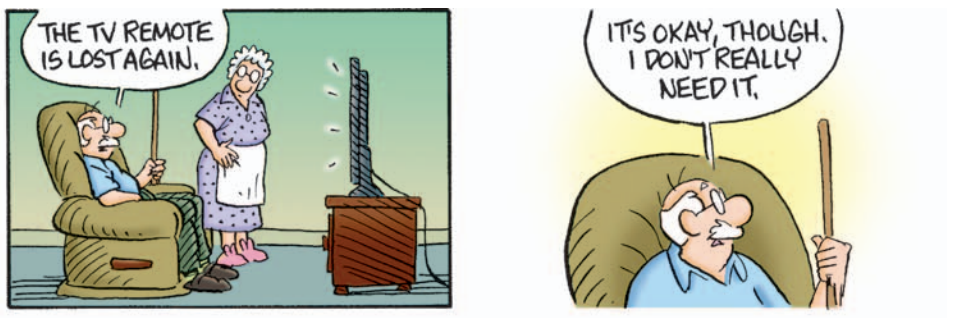
THE TV REMOTE IS LOST AGAIN.
IT'S OKAY, THOUGH. I DON'T REALLY NEED IT.
I CAN CHANGE CHANNELS WITH THIS STICK.
SEE?
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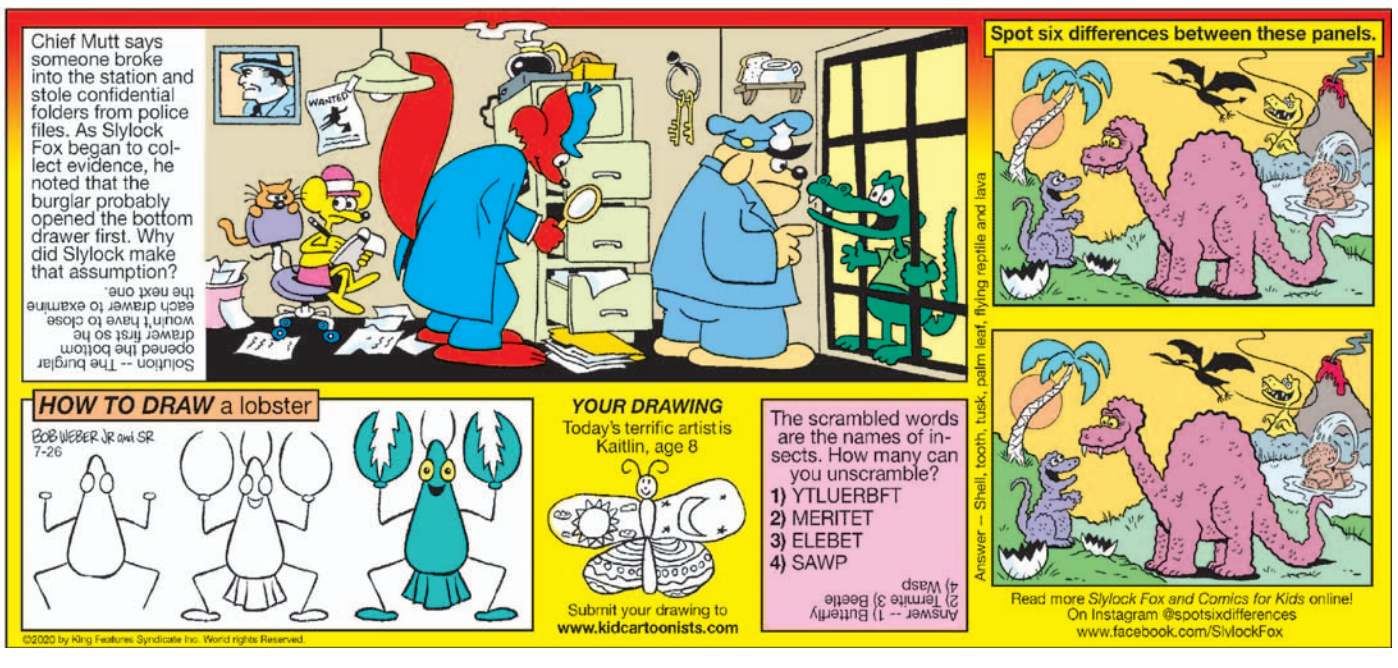
CRASH!
MAYBE I'LL LOOK FOR THE REMOTE SOME MORE.
BRIAN CRANE

Slylock Fox and Comics for Kids

Bob Weber Jr.'s


Chief Mutt says someone broke into the station and stole confidential folders from police files. As Slylock Fox began to collect evidence, he noted that the burglar probably opened the bottom drawer first. Why did Slylock make that assumption?
Solution -- The burglar opened the bottom drawer first so he wouldn't have to close each drawer to examine the next one.
WANTED
HOW TO DRAW a lobster
BOB WEBER JR and SR
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YOUR DRAWING
Today's terrific artist is Kaitlin, age 8
Submit your drawing to www.kidcartoonists.com
The scrambled words are the names of insects. How many can you unscramble?
1) YTLUERBFT
2) MERITET
3) ELEBET
4) SAWP
Answer -- 1) Butterfly 2) Termite 3) Beetle 4) Wasp
Spot six differences between these panels.
Answer -- Shell, tooth, tusk, palm leaf, flying reptile and lava
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